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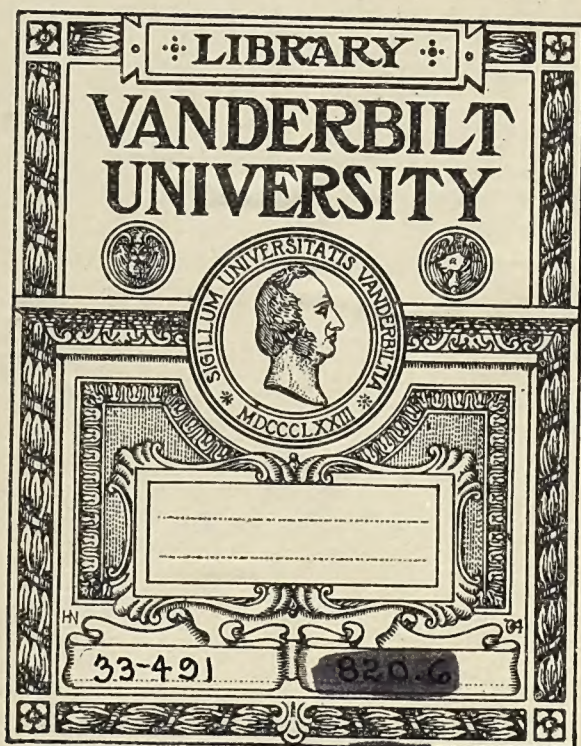
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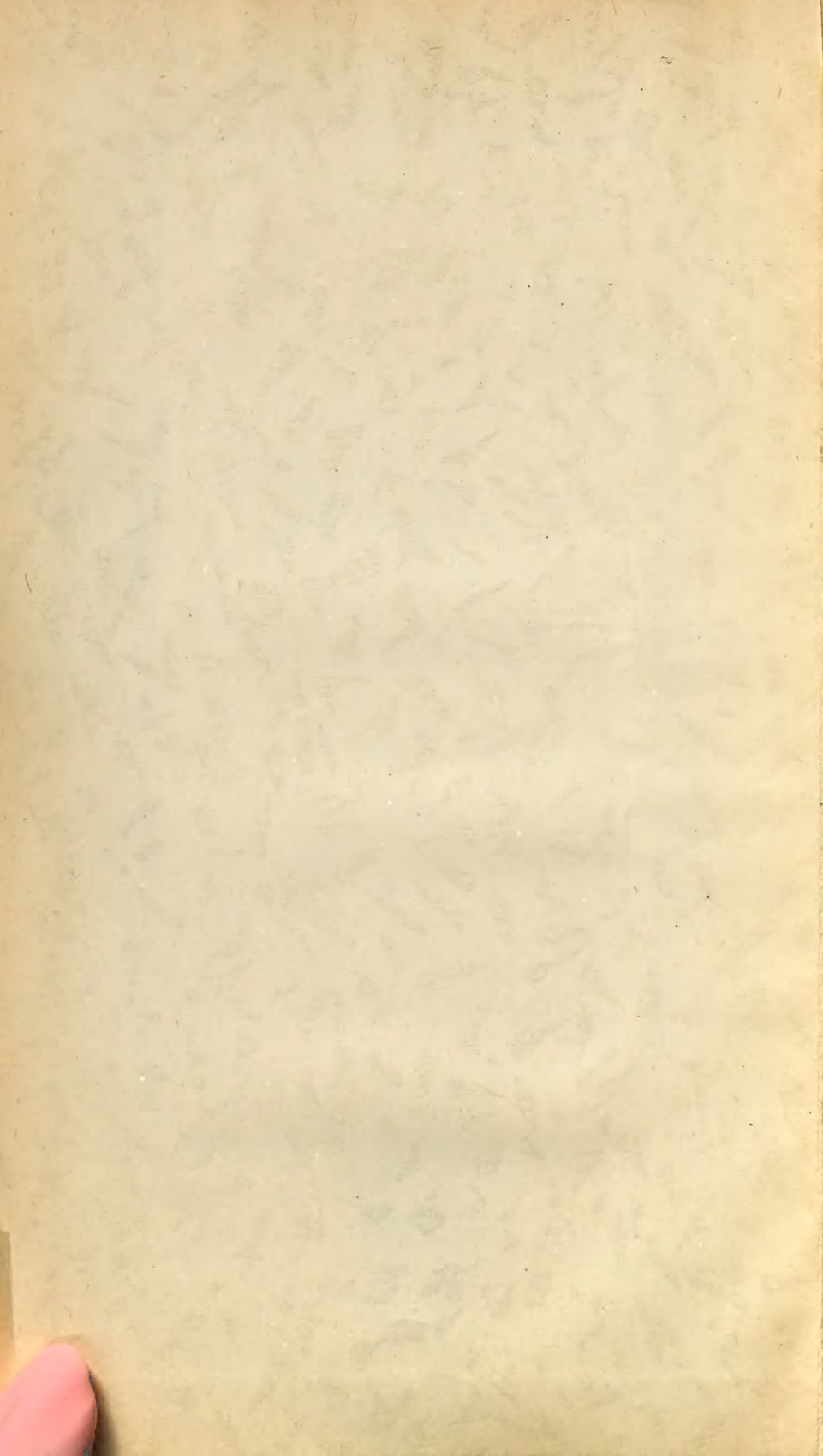
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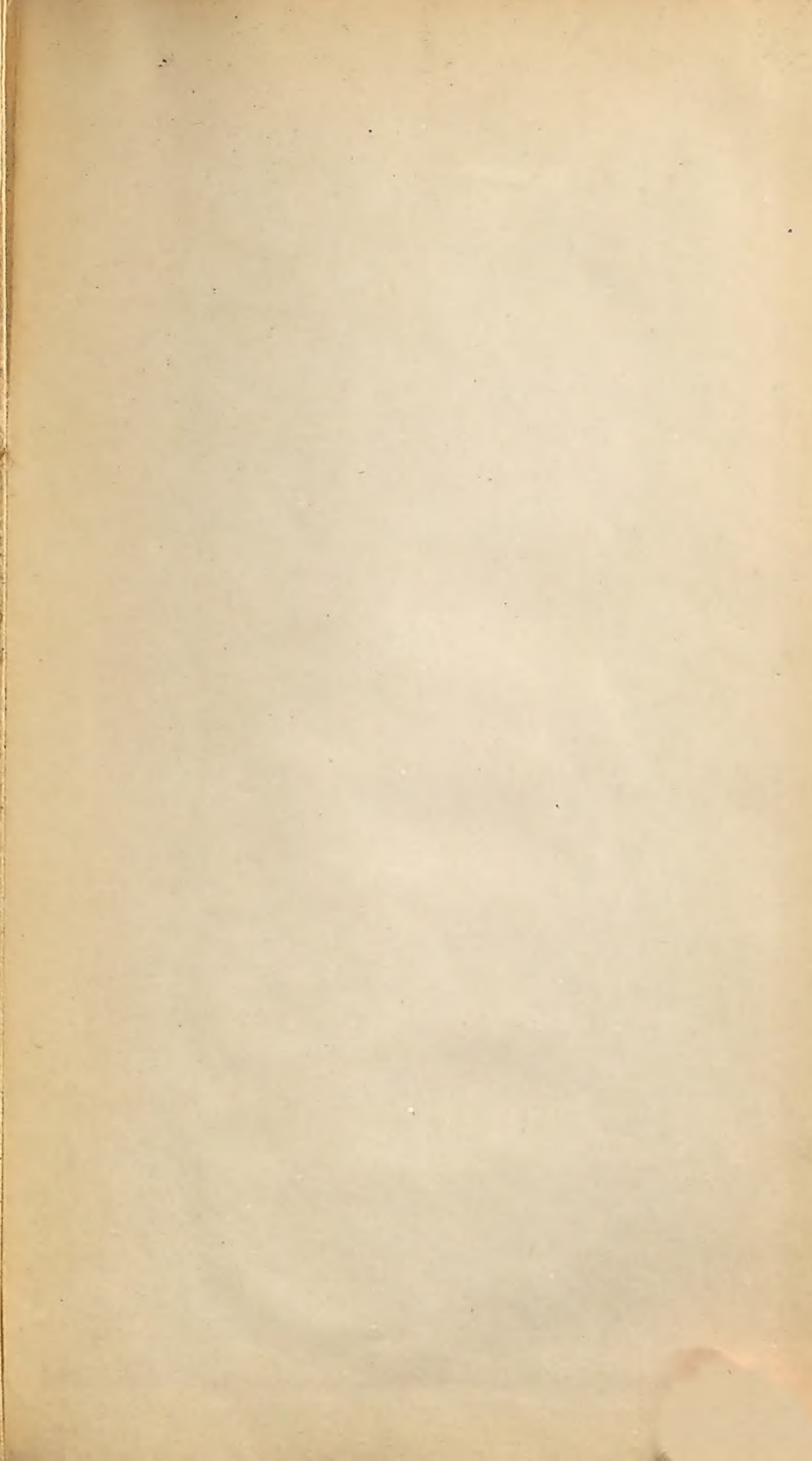


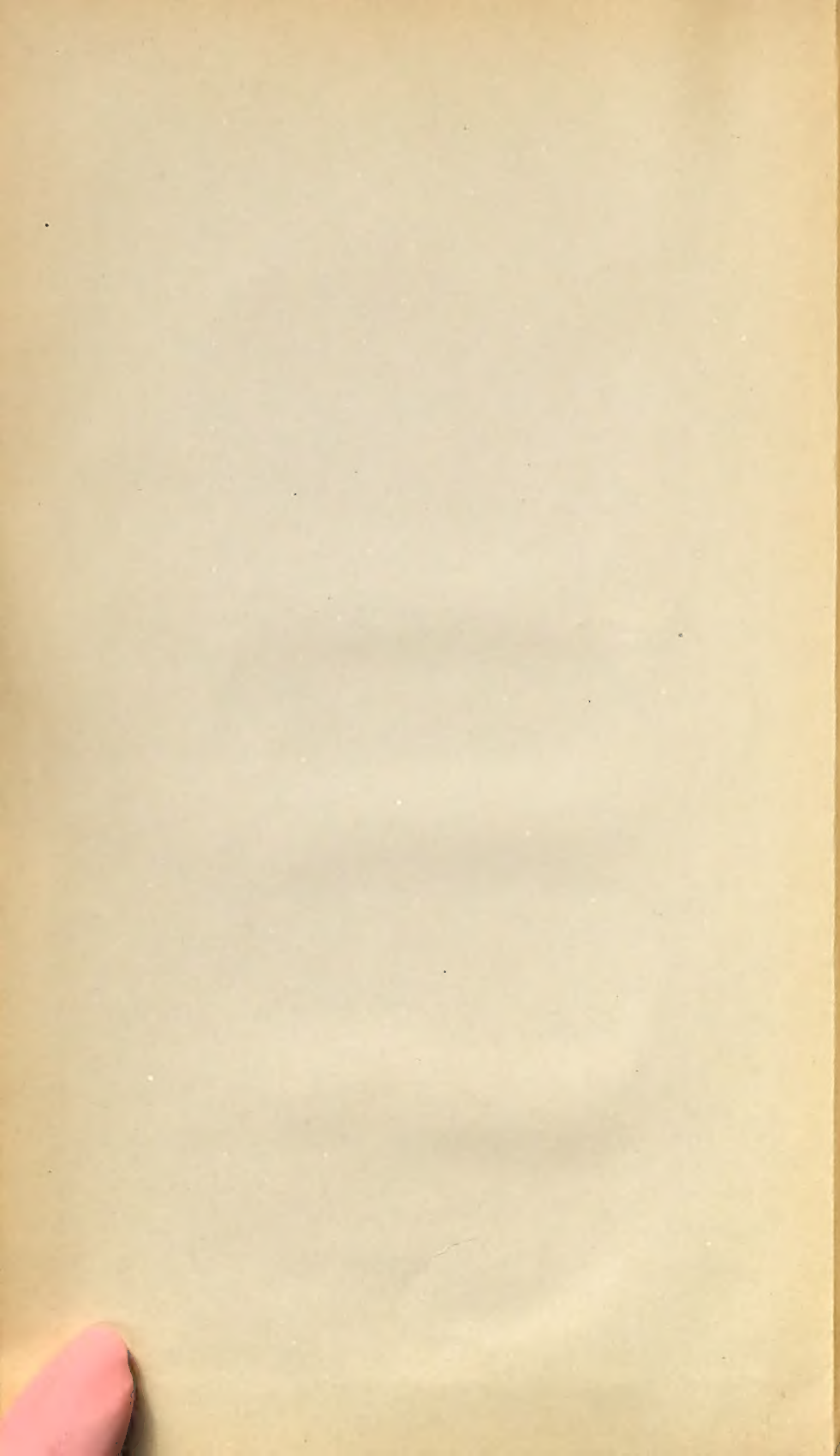
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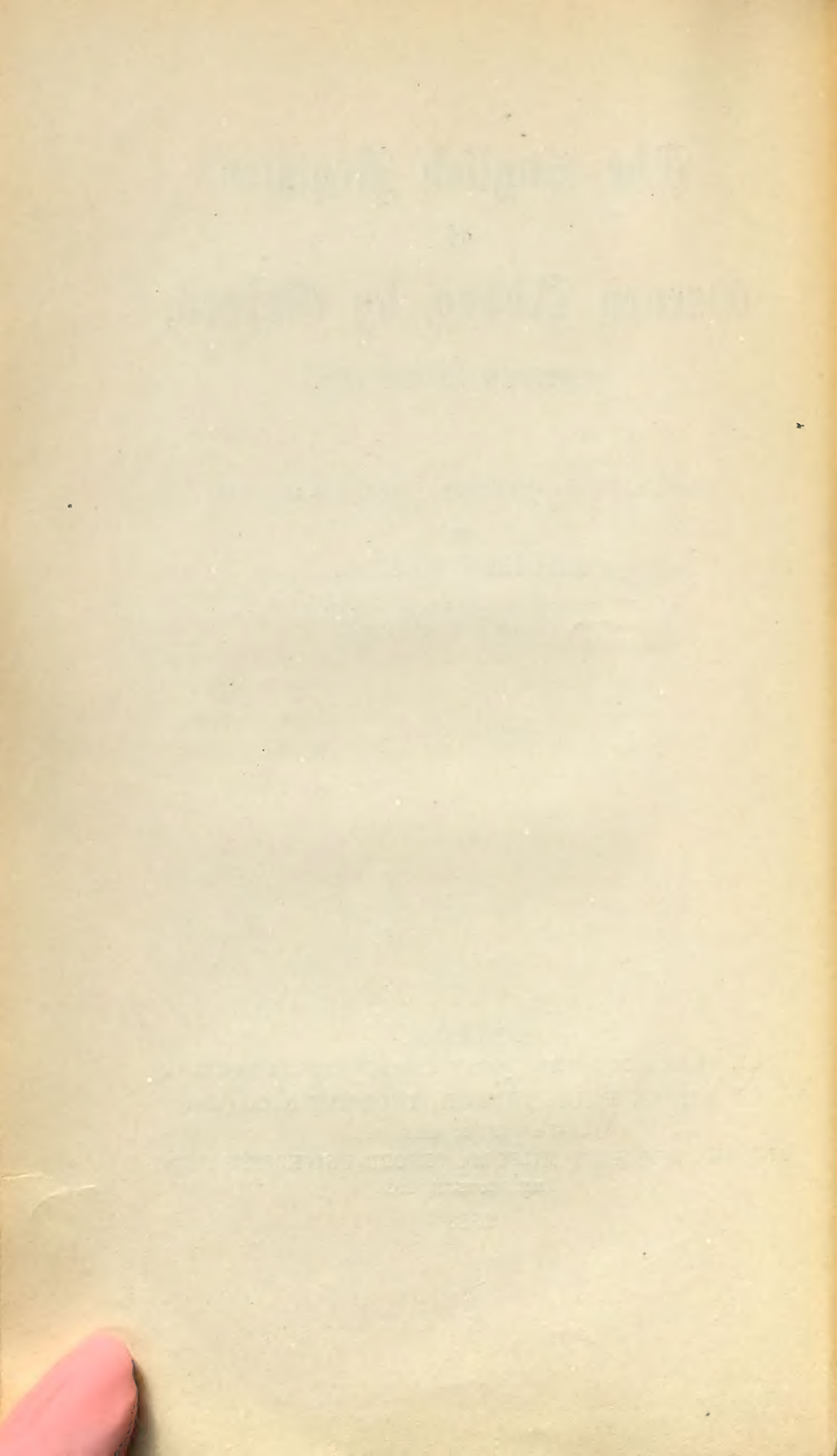
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ENGLISH REGISTER OF OSENEY

THE MIRROURE OF THE LYFE OF CRYSTE

- [a¹] t the begynnynge the proheme of the booke
þat is cleped þ^e mirroure of þe blessede lyfe of
Ihu Cryste The Life
of Christ.
- 4 Prima pars pro die Lune Monday.
- a devoute meditacion of þ^e grete cownseyle in
 heuen for þe restorynge of man & hys saluatiō
 *Capitulum primum*² i. Legend.
- 8 o f the maner of lyuynge of the blessed virgyñ
 maydeñ mary
 [*Capitulum secundum*³]
- o f the incarnacion of Ihu & þe feste of the
 annunciacion and of the gretynge Aue maria iii. Lk. i.
 26-38.
- 12 *Capitulum tercium*
- h ow þat owre lady wente to Elisabeth & mekely
 grette heṛ iv. Lk. i.
 39-41.
- 16 *Capitulum quartum*
- h ow Joseph thoȝhte priuely to leue owre lady
 seynte mary v. Mt. i.
 18-25.
- Capitulum quintum*
- ¹ 'a' is omitted, space being left
for an illuminated letter. In the
remaining chapters, the initial is a
small letter, and space is left to sub-
stitute an illuminated one.
- ² Notice that the number for each
chapter follows the abstract of its
contents.
- ³ Omitted in the MS.

vi. Lk. ii.
6-20.

o f the Natiuite of ou^r lord^e Ihu cristē
Capitulum vj^m

vii. Lk. ii.
21.

o f the circumcisiōⁿ of ou^r lorde iesu
Capitulum vij^m

4

viii. Mt. ii.
1-12.

o f the epiphany pat is cleped þe open schewynge
of god
Capitulum octauum

ix. Lk. ii.
22-39.

o f the purificaciō of oure lady Seynte marye
Capitulum nonum

8

Tuesday.

s ecunda pars pro die martis

x. Mt. ii.
13-8.

[o¹] f the fleyinge of oure lorde ihu in-to egipte
Capitulum decimum

12

xi. Mt. ii.
19-23.

o f the turnynge of oure lorde ihu from Egipte
Capitulum xi^m

xii. Lk. ii.
43-50.

h Ow þe chylde Jhesu was lefte allone in ieru-
sale^m
Capitulum xij^m

16

xiii.
Legend.

w hat maner of lyuyngē oure lorde ihc hade &
what he did fro hys twelve yeer vn-to þe
begynnyngē of hys xxx^{ti} yeere
Capitulum xiiij^m

20

xiv. Mt. iii.
13-17.

o f the baptyme of oure lorde ihu & þe weye
þerto
Capitulum xiiii^m

24

Wednesday.

[t]ercia pars pro die mercurij

xv. Mt. iv.
1-11.

o f the fastynge of ou^r lorde ihu and hys tempta-
cions in deserte
Capitulum xv^m

28

¹ Omitted in MS.

h Ow oure lorde ihu begaṇ to teche & gedre
his discipuls

xvi. Mt. iv.
17-22.

Capitulum xvjm

4 o f the miracle doēṇ, at þe bridale, of water
turned in-to wyne

xvii. Jn. ii.
1-11.

Capitulum xvijm

8 o f that excellentē sermon of ouṛ lorde ihu iṇ þe
hülle

xviii. Mt.
v-vii.

Capitulum xvijm

o f the seruante [of] Centurio and þe sonne of
the lytelle Kyng heled of oure lorde ihu criste

xix. Mk. ii,
1-12; Jn. iv,
46-54.

Capitulum xixm

o f þe paralytike maṇ lette down in hys bedde
by hys howse hyllynge and heled of ouṛ lorde
ihu cryste proughe þe beleve off theyme þat bare
hym

xx. Mt. ix.
1-8.

Capitulum vicesimum

h Ow þat martha was heledde of here sekenesse
be towchyng of þe hemme of ouṛ lordes clothe

xxi. Lk.
viii. 43-8;
Legend.

Capitulum xxjm

o f the conuersion of mary maudeleyṇ

xxii.
Legend;
Lk. viii. 2.

Capitulum xxijm

o f the Spekyng of ouṛ lorde iħc with þe womaṇ
Samarytane atte þe pytte of water

xxiii. Jn.
iv. 1-26.

Capitulum xxiiijm

h Ow þe disciples of ihu plucked þe eerys of
corne & etēṇ þeim for hunger oṇ þe sabaoth
day

xxiv. Mt.
xii. 1-9.

Capitulum xxiiijm

*Thursday.***Quarta pars pro die Jouis**xxv. Jn. vi.
1-14.o f þe fedyngē of þe grēte peple with brede
multipliede**Capitulum vicesimum quintum**

4

xxvi. Jn. vi.
15.o f the fleyinge of ouȝ lorde ihc whēn þe peple
wolde haue made hym þeire Kynge**Capitulum xxvj^m**xxvii. Jn.
vi. 16-21.o f the preyer of ouȝ lorde ihu in the hylle and 8
how After he comme to hys disciples goynge**Capitulum xxvij^m**xxviii. Mk.
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sclawnder off þe wordes and dedes of Ihu Criste 12**Capitulum xxviii^m**xxix. Mt.
ix. 27-30.o f þe specialle rewarde of ouȝ lorde Ihu behoten
to alle þo þat forsake þe worlde for his luffe**Capitulum xxix^m**

16

xxx. Mk.
ix. 1-10.
[un-
finished.]o f the transfiguracion of oure lorde ihu in þe
hylle.**[Capitulum xxx^m ¹]**

¹ In leaving off, the writer has not even added the number of the last chapter of which he gives the summary. The headings given in this fragment correspond exactly with John Morton's Englishing of Bonaventura's *Vita Christi*, printed by Caxton and by Wynkyn de Worde.

OSENEY CARTULARY ENGLISHED

[1.] [V'] * Of þe ffundacion off þe Chapeil of Seynte * leaf 1.
George.

It is to be myndyd̃ that Robert Doyly and̃ Roger̃ of Iuory, sworne brethreñ and ² i-confederyd̃ or i-bownde euerich to other̃ by feythle and sacrament, come to the conquest of Inglonde with Kyng William bastarde. ¶ This Kyng zafe to the saide Roberte tweyne baronyes of doyllys and̃ of saynte Walerye. ¶ In the zere fro the Incarnacion of oũr lorde anno M^t lxxij.³ was i-belde the castell of oxonforde, in the tyme of Kyng William a-forsaide. This robert doylly zafe to his swor̃n broþer Roger̃ a-forsaide A baronye, the which is nowē i-callid̃ of seynte Walerye. ¶ In the zere of oũr lorde anno M^t thre score and̃ xiiij. was i-foundid̃ the church of saynte george in the castell of oxonforde, of Robert Doylly the firste and̃ of Roger̃ of Iuory, in þe tyme of Kyng William bastarde, the which ⁴ sett in the seyde church secular̃ chanons, and certeyne rentes of the tweyne baronyes afore-saide to the seyde chanons asseyneð, of churchis, londis, tithis, and̃ possessions, and̃ other̃ thynges.

Notice of
Robert
Doyly I,

favourite of
William I,

builder of
Oxford
Castle, 1072,

and co-
founder,
1074,
of St.
George's
church, for
secular
canons.

[Died about
1090.]

[2.] A⁵ charter of Robert Doylly þe first, of þe ffundacion of þe church of Seynte George i-zefe to þe Seculer̃ chanons þe which vnderfoloweth.

Claims to
be about
1074.

¶ BE hit i-knowe to the feythfull meñ of holy church both present and̃ to be þat I, Robert Doylly, willyng and̃ grauntynge

Robert
Doyly I

¹ For convenience of reference, the 'titiuli' of the Latin Register by which old quotations are often made, have their own Roman number assigned them. The English follows their order without giving the numbers.

² 'i-confederyd̃ or i-bownde' is an alternative rendering of the one word 'confederati.' This double rendering, first by a Latinism, then by an English word attached to the first by 'or,' is a frequent, and sometimes a confusing, feature of this

translation.

³ 'Septuagesimo primo,' in the Latin.

⁴ The writer uses 'the which,' for the relative, alike for singular and plural, masculine and neuter, subject and object. Latin is 'qui . . . instituerunt.'

⁵ This 'charter' cannot be genuine, since it mentions 'king Henry' (succeeded 1100). It was possibly forged to establish title in some dispute with St. Frideswyde's priory.

granted, to
the secular
Canons in
St. George's
church,

St. Mary
Magdalene
church,
and other
possessions.

[See in no.
21.]

Aldithe my wiffe and my brethreñ Nigelle & Gilberte¹, 3afe
and graunted, and with this present charter conformed, in-to
pure ande perpetuall almes, to god and to þe church of Seynte
george in þe castell of Oxonforde and to the chanon̄s in hit 4
seruyng god and to þere successoures, the church the which
[I founded], for the helth of Kyng Henry and the welfare
of all þe reame Also² and for myne helth, and of my wiffe,
and brethreñ, fadurs and modurs, and of oū frendes, all pynges, 8
tenementes, tithis, and possessions vndur-write: that is to say,
þe church of seynte³ marye Mawdeleyñ the which is i-sett in
the subbarbis of oxonforde, with thre hides of londe in Waltoñ,
and medys, and tithis to the same church perteynyng; (as hit 12
is conteyned with-inne 'How⁴ the church of Seynte george
come.' 1⁵)

About
1074.

[3.] A confirmacion of Roger of Iuorye of þe 3ifte of þe
saide Robert.

Confirma-
tion by
Roger of
Iveri (no. 1),

of his
brother-in-
arm's
(Robert
Doyly I's)
foundation.

[See in no.
21.]

¶ KNOWE þey that be present and to be þat I, Roger of
Iuorye, for the helth of oū lorde Kyng and of all the reame 16
and also for the helth of my lorde Robert Doylly and Aldithe
his wiffe and the helth of myne, haue i-graunted, and with
my present charter conformed, to god and to the church of
seynte george þe which is i-sett in the Castell of Oxonforde, all 20
londis and tenementes, tithis, rentis and possessions, the which
the saide Robert Doylly of his baronyis 3afe and graunted and
assyned to god and to the church of seynte george Afore-saide
and to the chanon̄s þere seruyng god: that is to say, the church 24
of Seynte Marye Mawdeleyne the which is i-sett in the subarbis
of oxonforde, and with thre hides in Waltoñ, ande þe londe of
twenty-acre. 2. (as þey been conteyned with-inne in the title
'Howe⁶ the church was i-3efe of seynte george to the chanon̄s 28
of oseneye': vide notam &c.⁵).

¹ Robert Doyly I had a brother Guido, but (so far as is known) not Gilbert.

² 'necon et pro mea ac uxoris et fratrum, parentum, et amicorum nostrorum salute.' Elsewhere 'parentum' is rendered 'kynnesfolkes.'

³ Marginal note: 'Mary Magdalen's

church in Oxon.'

⁴ i.e. in Tit. VII (p. 20).

⁵ The compositor has represented the varying symbols of the MS. for 'etcetera' by special types.

⁶ i.e. Tit. VII.

- [4.] A charter¹ of Thomas Deen i-made to þe Seculer About
chanons of a Crofte called Denys Crofte. 1140²

¶ BE hit i-knowe to all *Christine* men that I, thomas Deen, Grant to
safe and graunted, and with þis my present charter confermed, St. George's
to god and to the church of Seynte george in the castell of church, by
4 oxonforde and to the chanons þere seruyng god, all my Crofte Thomas
with the pertynences * the which is i-called Denyscrofte, in-to deen,
free pure and perpetuall almes, alsomuch as to me ande to myne * leaf 1,
heyres longyth, to the chefe lorde zeldyng þerof zereyly for me back.
8 and myne heyres to the chefe lorde² vj. 3. of sterlynges for all of Deen's-
thynges. And I, thomas, and myne heyrys, the sayed crofte, croft,
with the pertynences, to the forsaid church and chanons subject to
a-gayenst all mortall men for euer shall warantize. In-to the 6s. quit-rent
12 witnesse of the which thyng, to this writyng my sele I haue to the
i-putt. Thes witnesses &c³. chief lord.

- [5.] A charter of Brummanne of Walton i-made to þe About
chanons aforsaide of here londe In Walton ande 1140²
twentiacre.

BE hit i-know to all the children of the church that I, Grant to
brummanne of Walton, for the helth of my sowle and of myne St. George's
16 and of all cristen, haue i-zefe and graunted, and with my present church, by
charter confermed, to god and to the church of seynte George Brumman,
in the castell of oxonforde & to the chanons þere seruyng god,
willyng and grauntynge my lorde Robert Doylly, all my londe, of land in
20 with medys and oper pertynences, the which I helde of hym in Walton
Walton and twentiacre: to be holde and had, to the forsaid and
church and chanons and to here successoures, in-to free pure Twenty-
and euerlastyng almys. And I, brummanne, and myne heyres, acre (see
24 the said londe, with medys and other pertynences, to the in no. 6).
forsaid church And chanons azenste all cristen men and Juys³, [Warranty
as owre free pure and perpetuall almys, shall warantize Aquyte against
Jews!]

¹ Of doubtful genuineness: being ante-dated. The land, however, was actually a possession of Oseney, and is so found in the Hundred Rolls.

² The dittography is in the English MS., not in the Latin.

³ This warranty against Jews is quite out of place at this date, and is fatal to the genuineness of the deed. The insertion of

such clauses in leases and grants belongs to the next century (1230-80). Attention is drawn to the peculiarity by a marginal note 'warrantize: note.' A motive for forgery is suggested by the necessity of repelling St. Frideswyde's priory claims in St. Mary Magdalene parish, which were backed by a forged deed (see no. 54). The property was actually owned by Oseney.

and defende. And that this my yife¹ and graunte be sure and stable, to this present wrytyng my sele I haue put to. Thes witnesses &c².

About
1140.

[6.] A confirmacion of Robert Doylly of þe ȝiftes of þe Saide thomas and Brummanne.

Alleged
confirmacion
to St.
George's
church, by
Robert
Doyly II,
of no. 4,

and no. 5.

KNOW all pepull that I, Robert Doylly, graunted & [con-⁴fermed], to god and to the church of seynte George in the castell of oxonforde and to the chanons of the same church and to there successours, the yife¹ that to them made Thomas Deeð of a Crofte in subarbys of Oxonforde the which is i-called⁸ Denyscrofte, of my fee, ȝeldyng to me and to myne heyres vj. ȝ. ȝerly for all thynges. To² thes þynges, I haue grauntyd, and with this my charter confermed, to the sayde church and chanons and to þere successours, þe ȝifte the which to þem made¹² brumman of Walton of³ oon caruke or plowlonde of grounde and a mese [and⁴ xxiv. acres of mead, which he held of me in Walton,] and xxvi. acris with a pasture with þe pertinences, the which he helde of me in þe subarbis of oxonforde for his¹⁶ seruyce: To be holde and had, to the forsayde church [and] chanons and to there successours, in-to pure free and perpetuall almys, as the charter of þe forsayde brummann, þe which to þe forsayde church and chanons [he] maade, fully witnysseth.²⁰ and that þis my graunte and confirmacion be ferme and stable for euer, to thys wrytyng my sele I haue i-putt. Thes witnessess. ȝ.

About
1130.

[7.] A confirmaciō of Kyng Henry⁵ þe sone of Kyng William Bastarde i-maade to þe chanons of Seynte George.

Confirmacion
to St
George's
church by
Henry I,

HENRY, Kyng of Inglonde And Duke of Normandye, to²⁴ Archiebisshops bysshops Abbotes Erles Barons Justices shrevys mynsters and to all his trew men frenshe and Englishe helth. Know ȝe me to haue i-graunted and confermed euer, in-to perpetuall almys, to god and to the church of saynte George²⁸

¹ Sic. Read 'yifte.'

² 'Ad hec.'

³ 'de una carucata terre.'

⁴ Added from the Latin.

⁵ 'Henry I,' in margin. A genuine charter: original at Christ Church. Among witnesses is Geoffrey, cancellarius (1124-35).

þe which Robert Doylly foundid^r in the castell of oxonforde and to the chanon^s of the same church, all þynges and^r possessions the which the sayde Robert and his successours to þe same church zafe: that is to say, the church of seynte Marye Maudeleyne¹ the which is i-sette in the strete with-owt the Northgate and^r . . .². Wherefore I wylle and surely commaunde þat þe forsayde * church and chanon^s haue and holde, well and^r in 8 peece, frely and^r worschipfully, ande hoolely, and that all þe tenementes of the same church and^r meñ of þe chanouns be quyte³ of schyres and^r hundredys and^r wardys and^r danegeldys and^r all pley^s, (and^r ⁴ of sake and^r soc, tol and^r teme, and^r infan- 12 genethefe), and^r of all other quarels or playntes and^r exaccions, owtake murthur and^r thefte i-preued. Thes witnesses &c⁵.

of Robert Doyly I's gifts (as in no. 2),

* leaf 2.
and grants of exemption from king's courts and king's taxes, and of feudal jurisdiction.

[8.] This charter afore i-write is fully innewyd⁵ By Kyng Henry⁶ the Sone of Kyng John, þe which 3e shall fynde In þe charters folowyng vndur⁷ ⁸ of þe ffredoms of Oseneye.

About 1220. Confirmation by Henry III.

[9.] A Brefe of Kyng Henry⁸ þe Sone⁹ of Kyng William Bastarde of þe Crofte of Walton.

About 1166.

HENRY, by the grace of god Kyng of Ingland^r Duke of Normandy And of gyeñ and^r Erle of Aungy, to Hugh¹⁰ pleg. 16 helth. I charge the þat, ry3ghtfully and^r with-owte differryng, þou make to be 3elde oon crofte of londe of Walton, with all his pertinences, to the church of seynte george of oxonforde, þe which perteyneth (or longeth) to the prebende the which was of

Order by Henry II, ordering restoration to St. George's church of a croft of the prebend of

¹ 'Mari Magdalene,' in margin.

² i.e. and [the rest as given in no. 21]. Latin has 'etc.'

³ 'francheis: note the ffredoms,' in margin.

⁴ This clause is out of place, and 'of' ought to be 'with.' The clauses which go before and come after conferred exemptions from attendance at, and fees or fines to, certain of the king's courts, and from contributing to certain taxes. This clause gave the church of St. George feudal jurisdiction over its own tenants and servants. A correct statement is found in no. 13. In the Latin the clause is out of place, but

'cum' is given.

⁵ 'innovata.'

⁶ 'Henry III,' in margin.

⁷ 'subsequentibus.'

⁸ 'Note: Henry the I,' in margin; but it should be Henry II.

⁹ In error for 'grandson,' as is seen in the king's style, as also by the attached witness, John (of Oxford), dean of Salisbury 1165-75. The error has been copied into Wood's *City of Oxford*, ii. 187.

¹⁰ Hugh of Plugenet, lord of Headington manor, and so feudal lord in the north suburb of Oxford: Wigram's *Cartulary of St. Frideswide*, li. 24-6.

Walter,
arch-
deacon.

Walter¹ Archedecun, And suffer not thereof any wronge to þe forsaide church to be do, or hit with varyȝhtfull customs to be vexid. And but þou wylle doon myn commaundement, lete my Justice of oxonford do hit, last² þere-of more playnyng to⁴ here I ofte. John, Deen of Salisbury, Witnesse: at clarendon.

[10.] **Termes to Be declared for Euidence afore i-write, and also folowyng after.**

Explana-
tion of
manorial
terms: see
nos. 7, 13,
&c.

Nota. Soc is sute of your homage in your courte, after the custome of þe Reame. Sacke ys pleys and amendys of mysdoynge of your men in your courte, for *sacke* in Englysh is *cheson* in frensh, and hit is i-saide 'for the which sake,' *id est*, 'pur quele encheson,' and sacke also is a forfeite. Tol is that ye and youre men and all your homage be quyte in all mercates of tol i-axid of thynges i-bowghte or solde. Teme is that ȝe¹² haue all auereyne of your bonde men, with here sute and catell, where-so-euer in Inglonde þey be i-founde, oute-take that if a bonde man quietly a yere and A day in oony towne pryvylegyd haue i-dwellyd so that in here communitie (that is to say, in-to¹⁶ þere yilde) haue be receyuyd and as a cytysyn haue be receyvyd, evyn þerwith fro his bondage is delyuered. Infangenthefe is that thefs i-take in your lordeship and in ȝour fee convictyd be Juggyd in your courte. Owtefangenthefe³ is þat þefes of²⁰ your lordeship or fee i-take with thefte be callyd agayne to your fee And there to be i-Juggyd.

[11.] [VI.] *Sequitur ffundacio Oseneye.*

Notice of
Robert
Doyly II,

HIT is to be know to all trewe men of holy church þat Robert Doylly the fyrst And Nygeff Doylly where carnall²⁴ breþren, the which come with Kyng William conquerour bastard in-to Inglonde. The sayde Robert dyed withoute heyres of his body; the saide Nygeff his brother succedyd hym in-to þe herytage as heyre, þe which Nygeff gate Robert Doylly the secunde.²⁸

¶ In the ȝere of our lorde a þowsande hundrede and

¹ Walter, archdeacon of Oxford, died 1151.
² 'ne inde amplius querelam audire debeam.'

³ 'outfangthief' does not occur in any grant or confirmation among these documents. Cp. *Godstow Register*, p. 650.

xxix^{ti}. Robert Doylly the secunde, þe soone of Nygett Doylly
 aforsaide, founded the church of saynte Marye in þe Ile of
 oseney, consentyng¹ Theodbalde Archiebisschop of Caunterbury,
 4 And Alizaundur bisshop of *lincoln; in the tyme of Kyng
 Henry the ffyrst (þe soone, that is to say, of William Bastarde
 conqueroure of Inglonde), at þe peticioñ of Edythe (þe dowghter
 of fford) wyfe of þe forsayde Robert Doylly, foundid was þe
 8 saide church.

founder, in
 1129, of
 Oseney, for
 Regular
 Canons,
 * leaf 2,
 back.
 at the
 instance of
 his wife
 Edith.

[12.] A charter of Robert Doylly þe secunde, foundar of 1129.
 þe Howse of Oseney: Off þe ffirst ffeffyng.

BE hit i-knowe to all true men of holy church, bothe present
 and to be, þat I, Robert Doylly, wylyng and grauntynge Edythe
 my wyfe and my soonys Henry and gilbert, yefe ande graunt,
 12 in-to perpetuall Almes, to þe church of god and of saynte marye
 his moder and to þe chanons in hit seruyng god, þe which [I]
 (Alizaundur by the grace of god bysshop of lincolne yevyng
 counseyle and confermyng) founded in the Ile þe which is i-called
 16 Oseney, for the helth of the Kyng and the welfare of all the
 Reame And also for myne helth and of my wyffe and of my
 soonys parentis and frendes, alle þat is myne in þe forsaide Ile;
 with all dwellynges þe which I had vppoñ the were² the which
 20 is of myne myllys þe which been by þe castell of Oxonforde;
 and tithynges of the same Myllys; And þese churches³ of my
 londe, of Cudelyngton, of Weston, of Hokenorton, of Cleydon,
 of Sheneston, of chesterton; with-in the borowgh of oxonford,
 24 londys þe which helden Engerike, Raymunde, Ailnoth, Good-
 wyne the soone of Edwachere, Ermenolde, Goodwyne Nicuma,
 Suetyng Cadica, Rauenyng, Segryn by the Walle, Henry
 Corueser, leofwyne Haltyng⁴, Goodwyne money-maker⁵,

Grant to
 Oseney,
 by its
 founder,
 Robert
 Doyly II,
 of

(a) all his
 land in
 Oseney isle;
 (b) War-
 ham-bank;
 (c) tithes
 of Oxford
 Castle
 mills;
 (d) six
 rectories;
 (e) in
 Oxford,
 feudal
 superiori-
 ty ever
 eighteen
 holdings;

¹ 'Consenting' in the primate's case refers to a later (no. 34) confirmation. Theobald of Bec was not elected archbishop till Dec. 1138. Alexander was bishop of Lincoln 1123-47.

² Marginal note: 'Weyres & Mylles by the Castell.' The 'were' mentioned was the narrow strip of land between the eastern boundary stream of Oseney (i.e. South Oseney) island and the feeder of the Castle mills: Wood's *City of Oxford*, i. 313.

See more of it in no. 43.

³ The six names are noted in the margin. Kidlington, Weston-on-the-Green, Hooknorton, Chesterton, are in Oxfordshire; Claydon is in Bucks. 'Sheneston,' the sixth, was not in Lincoln diocese, as is shown by its absence from the Lincoln confirmations, e.g. nos. 14, 19, 26. It is Shenstone in Staffordshire.

⁴ 'claudus,' in the Latin.

⁵ 'monetarius.'

[The mint
in Oxford.]
(f) a rent-
charge
of 2s.;
(g) tithe;
(h) in Hook-
norton,
superiori-
ty over a
hide, and a
yardland;
(i) near
Oxford
castle, a
house;
(k) Water-
caton
manor;
[Widow's
jointure-
land.]

with
manorial
rights to
wood,
fishing,
pasture.

Brychrik money-makeſ, Godrike, William, Raph Baker, Leof-
wyn budda, Gefſrey Miller; and twey ſhelyngworth of Rent þe
which helde fromunde chapeleyne; And tithyng of Nichol of
Stodeham, þe which þe ſame fromunde chapeleynd helde; with- 4
in Hokenortoñ (myne Maner), halfe an hide of londe þe which
was off Hugh ffraunceys, And j. 3erde-londe, the which Maurice
chanoñ helde and after hym þe ſone of the ſame; and by the
caſteñ of oxonford, vndur the wañ, a dwellyng þe which was of 8
Warynd chapeleyne; Etoñ¹ aſt my towne, with all thynges þe
which longe to hit (outetake þe Mille þe which I haue yeſe
to a-notheſ church², And ſperweſaye³), And ſo that þat parte
þe which my modur holdeth, whenne-ſo-euer ſhe ſtynteth⁴ to 12
holde hit, þat hit come in-to þe lordeship of the church to þe vſe
of the breþrynn: Wherefore I woñ and pray þat weñ & in
peece, fully and worſhipfully, the forſaide thynges þe forſaide
church holde, with aſt customs and fredoms⁵, þat is to ſay, in 16
wode and playne, in Medes and ffedynges, in waters⁶, in wayes
and patthis, and aſt otheſ places, as euer cony oþer mañ beſte
afore hit helde or my-ſelfe helde while þey were in my lorde-
ſhip. Theſe witneſſes Walter, Archedecun &c⁷.

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About
1129.

[13.] A confirmacion of Kyng Henry þe firſt, þe Sone of
William Baſtarde, of þe forſaide 3evyng.

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
Henry I,

of the
founder's
grants (as
in no. 12)
viz.—
(a);
(k);
(e);

HENRY, Kyng of Inglonde and Duke of Normandye, to
Archibiſſhops biſſhops Abbotes Erles Barons Juſtices Shrevys
Mynſters and to aſt his true meñ of aſt Inglonde helth. Know
3c me to haue i-graunted and conſermed, in-to perpetuall almys, 24
þe yeſte þe which Robert Doylly maade to þe church of ſaynte
Marye þe which he foundid in the Ile of Oſeneye ande to the
chanons pere ſervyng god, aſt þat was his in the ſame Ile; and
aſt Etoñ with his lordeship (outetake a mylle); And, with-in 28
the borowgh of oxonford, meñ And londys the which he had

¹ Marginal note: 'Eton.'

² i. e. to St. Frideswyde's Priory, about
1125; Wigram's *Cartulary of St. Frides-
wide*, ii. 208. This is the mill, called
Hulk's mill (from the tenant), which comes
in nos. 76-7.

³ 'Sperwesaye,' here excepted, was after-
wards given (no. 24) by Henry Doyly I.
'Sparsay Mead' is ſtill the name of the

large meadow, eaſt of Cherwell, oppoſite
Watereaton Manor Farm.

⁴ 'deſtiterit.'

⁵ Marginal note: 'Note þe ffreðoms
agaynſte Cudelyntoñ & Hokenortoñ,' i. e.
againſt the Plecy family, who acquired theſe
manors, after the Doylys died out, and
were rather unfriendly to Oſeney.

⁶ Marginal note: 'fiſſhing.'

in his lordeship; and all churches of his lordeship (pat is to say, þe church * of Cudelynton, the church of Hokenorton, the church of Chesterton, the church of sheneston, the church of 4 Watlyngton¹, the church of cleydon, the church of Weston), with all thynges to þe same perteynyng in tithis And londes and meñ And medys and fedynges: Wherefore I will and surely charge þat þe forsaide church and chanons holde, welle and in 8 pece, worschipfully, with² sacke And soc tol and teme and Infangenthefe, and that they and all tenementes and þere meñ be quyte of shyrys and hundredis and wardys ande daneyeldis and comynpleys and all other exaccions and playntes, outetake murthe^r 12 and thefte i-preued. Witnesse these: Alizaundur, bisshop of lyncolne; Symon, bisshop of Wyrcet^{ur}; Robert, Erle of Glowcet^{ur}; &c^o.

(d) the six churches, * leaf 3. with Watlington added, with manorial juris- diction, and exemptions from courts and taxes (as in no. 7).

[14.] A confirmacion of Alizaunder Bisshop of lincoln About 1145.
of þe fundacion of þe Howse of Oseneye.

ALIZAUNDER, by the grace of god bisshop of lincoln, to all in criste well i-loved soones of the church³ to the which he is hede 16 (god⁴ beyng the doer), helth and the blessing of god and his. To the petition, þe which to the stabylyng of religion and⁵ of sowles helth we know to perteyne, hit befalleth vs to assent swyftely and to make sure; where⁶ abowte, of owre mooste 20 deer soone Wygoode prior⁷ of Oseney and of his brethryne, to þere ryghtfull petitions lyght⁸ assent we 3evyng, to þe church of saynte Marye (in the which þey been i-3efe to þe servyse of god) þe which in the Ile þe which is i-called Oseney is i-foundid^r 24 and sett, vndur þe defense of seynte mary and owre to be defendid we take, and with þe surnesse⁹ of þis present letters we make sure, by þe Auctorite of þe office that we vse, ordeyn-

Confirma- tion to Oseney, by the diocesan,

of all its estates,

¹ The church of Watlington was ultimately (about 1170) the gift of William Paganell (no. 37), confirming his father-in-law's (Halinaud de Bidun's) grant. It had probably been granted by Robert Doily II with the others in no. 12, but before Oseney could obtain possession (by death of the rector), King Stephen took the manor (1142) from the Doilyes. The new lord (William de Chcsney) gave the church to Oseney, about 1150, but the manor was taken from him, about 1154, before Oseney obtained possession. It seems to have been erased from no. 12, but retained here.

² Marginal note: 'lybertyes,' attached by a bracket to the lines which follow.

³ i.e. of Lincoln diocese.

⁴ 'deo auctore.'

⁵ 'et [ad] animarum salutem.'

⁶ 'Quo circa.'

⁷ The head of Oseney was originally styled prior; Wood's *City of Oxford*, ii. 210. Wigod, after ruling as prior for nearly 16 years (1138-54), assumed the title of abbot, possibly granted him by the pope when he visited Rome (1151).

⁸ 'facilem assensum.'

⁹ 'sanctione.'

partien-
larly (i) the
founder's
gifts, viz.—
six
churches
(five as in
no. 12 d,
and, in
addition,
Stone);
also, lands
in Oxford
as in no. 12
a, b, c, e;
Watereaton
manor,
12 k;
rent-
charge and
tithe, 12
f, g;
in Hook-
norton, as
in 12 h;
(ii) King
Stephen's
gifts, of
60s. rent,
and of
5s. 5³/₄d.
rent;
(iii) queen
dowager
Alice's gift
(no. 83);
(iv) Lang-
ney island;
(v) Robert
Foliot's
land;
(vi) Ralph,
son of
Siward's
land.

ynge þat all maner possessions, all maner goodes, nowe this same church by the offryng of true men ryghtfully and lawfully hath, vndewyrd¹ to þem, and to þere successours sure and vnbroke² Abyde. In the which, these we have avised³ to be schewed in 4 þere owne namys: þat is to say, þe church⁴ of Cudelyngton, of Weston, of Hokenorton, of cleydon, of chesterton, of Stanes; and þat was of Robert Doylly (of this church founder) in Oseney, with all dwellynges þe which he had vppon þe were þe which is 8 of þe Milles þe which beu by þe castell of oxonforde, and tithynges of þe same Milles, and all þe londe þe which to þe same church with-inne the borowghe of oxonford the same forsaide Robert yafe and with his charter confermed; alle Eton, with 12 alle thynges to hit perteynyng (oute-take þe Mille, ande sperwe-say), and twei shelyngworth of Rent þe which helde fromunde chapeleyne, And tithynges of Nichol of Stodeham; with-inne Hokenorton, free seruyce of Hugh ffranceys⁵ of halfe an hide, 16 And oon 3erde of londe; and of þe yifte of Kyng stephyu ande of thempryce, prebende of lx. s. (of bensynto, xxiiij.; of bamton, xxiiij.; of Hedyndo, xij.), And of v. s. v. d. ob. qua. with-in the borowgh of oxonforde of that londe þe which⁶ is viij. 3erdys of 20 the Kyng, with all thynges perteynyng to hit, with customes and libertey; of the londe⁷ of quene Alyz, oon hide the which lyeth by Hanberge And longeth to staunto; langeneye, with all pertinences, of the howse⁸ of Geffrey chamburleyne of 24 Glymton; And the londe of the fee of Robert ffoliot, of the yifte of the same, þe which lieth in the grete strete⁹ of Oxonforde; and the londe that Raph fith sywarde yafe; And what-so-euer thyng in tyme to be (god beyng mercyfull) by grauntyng 28 or 3eving of princis, or by offryng of true men, or in othe ryghtfull maners, may be i-purchased¹⁰, to þem or to þere successours (Reguler lyfe i-professed) vnbroke¹¹ and undeflyd

¹ 'inviolata.'

² 'inconcussa.'

³ 'duximus.'

⁴ The six names are noted in the margin. 'Sheneston' is not mentioned (p. 11, note 3). Stanes church (Stone near Aylesbury in Buckinghamshire) was the gift of William Bracy (no. 37).

⁵ 'Hugonis franci.'

⁶ 'quae dicitur Octovirgate regis.'

⁷ 'de dono.'

⁸ Read 'gift.' The translator has misread 'ex dono' as 'ex domo' (cp. no. 26). Langney was one of the islands, formed by streams of Thames, in the river-flat north-west of Oxford.

⁹ No. 26 shows that this is Cornmarket Street (not High Street).

¹⁰ 'poterunt adipisci.'

¹¹ 'inconcussa et illibata, eorum omnimodo usibus profutura.'

* abyde, to þe vays of all þem to profete, sauynge dignytees and
 customs of the bisshop and of the church of lincolne : þerfore of
 this owre confirmacion agayne-sayers¹ and pluckers a-waye, and
 4 of this church robbers of goodes and wasters, if tweys and þe
 thirde tyme i-warned to satisfaccion wille not come, with the
 bonde of curse we bynde hym; Ande to alle to þe same place
 here ryghtes kepyng, be peece of oure lorde Ihu criste, þat here
 8 þe frute of goode workyng þey take, and, in tyme to be, rewardis
 of euerlastyng Joy geete þey. Amen.

* leaf 3,
 back.
 Anathema
 against
 violators of
 this con-
 firmation.

[15.] A charter of Robert Doylly the secunde vndur-
 write, of þe Encresynges to þe forsaide writynges.

About
 1140?

BE hit i-knowe to alle true meñ of holy church bop^e present
 and to be þat I, Robert Doylly, above thes thynges þe which
 12 I haue i-gefe to þe church of god and to saynte Marye of Oseney
 whenne I foundid hit, for my helth and my wyfes and of my
 soones & aunceturs and my parentis, geve and graunte these
 encresynges², to þe same church and chanon^s in hit seruyng
 16 god, perpetuelly to be had :—a dwellyng of William fight Helg;
 and³ all mansions þe which I had vppoñ the were; and þe
 tithynges of my mylles þe which þen by þe castell of oxonforde;
 ande ij. shelyngworth of rente, ande þe tithyng of Nichol of
 20 stodeham, þe which fromunde Capeleyne helde; and my gar-
 deyne with þe londe that longeth to hym of Etoñ; And Wydoñ
 reve, with all his tenure; And the londe⁴ of oo cotarye. These
 witnessys, fflowke Doylly, ȝ. Þis yifte I made, grauntynge my
 24 soonys Henry And gilberte and my wife and my broþer fflowke.

Grant to
 Oseney,
 by the
 founder,
 in addition
 to the gifts
 in no. 12, of

(t) in
Oxford,
 the house
 of William
 son of
 Helga;

(m) in
Watereaton,
 a garden;
 land of
 Wido
 reeve; and
 one cottar's
 land.

[16.] A charter confermyng, of Henry Doylly þe first,
 of þe giftes of Robert Doylly the Secunde his ffadu^r.

About
 1152.

BE hit i-knowe to true meñ of holy church bop^e present and
 to be þat I, Henry Doylly, graunte and with my charter con-
 ferme, in-to perpetueñ almes, to þe church of god and of saynte
 28 marye his modu^r and to the chanon^s in hit seruyng god—þe

Confirma-
 tion to
 Oseney, by
 Henry
 Doyly I,

¹ 'contradictores atque convulsiores.'

² But four of them had been included
 in his former gift: viz. no. 12 (a), (b),
 (f), (g); and it is possible that his house
 here called of William is Waryn's house,

no. 12 (t).

³ Marginal note: 'Weyres & tithings of
 Mylles Oxon. &c.'

⁴ 'terram unius cotarii.'

of his
father's
grants, as
in no. 12,

with
addition of
Watling-
ton church,
as in no. 13,

with
manorial
privileges.

which my ffader foundid in þe Ile þe which is Called Oseney—
for þe helth of þe Kyng and þe wellefare of all þe Reamð and
also for myne helth and of my wife and of soonys kynnesfolkes
and frendes, all such thynges þe which my ffadu to þe same 4
church yafe and with his charter confermed, þat is to say, all
that was his in the foresaide Ile of Oseney vnto þe mylles¹ of þe
castell; and the tythe of þe mylles; And þese churches, with
here pertinences, þe church² of Cudelyngton, of Weston, of 8
Cleydon, of Hokenorton, of chesterton, of Scheneston, of Wat-
lynton; And with-in þe borowgh of oxonforde londes þe which
helde Engerike and oper, as his charter witnesseth; and þe
tithe of Nichol Stodeham, þe which ffromunde chapeleyne 12
helde; and with-in Hokenorton dñ. hide the which was of
Hugh ffraunceys, and j. 3erde which was of maurice chanoñ;
and Eton and all þat longeth to hit (oute-take þe Mille).
Wherefore I wille and surely ordeyne þat nowe þe saide church 16
alle þe forsaide possessions and tenentryes holde, welle and in
peece, and worschipfully and fully, with all liberteis and his
ffree customs, in men, in howses, in woode and playne, and in
all other thynges and places, as euer oony other afore best helde 20
hit. These witnyssis &c³.

* leaf 4.
About
1185.

[17.] A confirmacion of Robert * Doylly þe thirdde, þat
is to Say, þe sone of Henry Doylly þe ffirst aforesaide
and Broþer off Henry Doylly þe Secunde.

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
Robert
Doyly III,

of the gifts
of his
grand-
parents, of
his father,
and of his
elder
brother.

BE hit i-knowe to all true men of holy church that I, Robert
Doylly þe sone of Henry Doylly, grauntid and with this present
confermyd, to þe church of saynte Marye of Oseney ande to þe 24
chanouns þer seruyng god, for þe sowles of my predecessours and
of my kynnysfolkes, for my helth and of Henry my broþer and
of all myne, all þe tithynges³ þe which Robert my beele sire
and Edithe my beele Dame and Henry my ffadu and Henry 28
my broþer to þe same church madeñ, in churchis and tithis and
men and londis and medis and fedynges and in all pynges
tenentries and liberties, as þe charter of þe forsaide Henry

¹ Marginal note: 'Mylles, Oxon.'

² Names of all seven noted in margin.

³ 'tithynges' in error for 'yevynges,'

donaciones of the Latin being misread as
decimaciones.

witnesseth the which (me beyng present and assent yevyng) to þeme he yafe. I haue i-grauntid also and confermed alle tithynges¹ þe which men of the fee of my faduŕ to þe same church & chanons maaden, as þe forsaide Henry my broþer (me beyng present and assent yevyng) with his charter to þem confermyd. These witnysses: Henry Doylly my broþer, I. mony oþer.

[18.] A Buil of Eugenyne pope iij confermyng þe forsaide
3evynges. About
1146.

8 EUGENYE, bisshop, *seruaunte* of þe *seruauntes* of god, to my
louyd soonys Wigooðe prior of Oseneye and his breperyn both
present and to be (regular lyfe i-professid, I) of² þe Apostlis sec,
to þe which³ (owre lorde disposyng) þowgh vnworthy we bee
12 hede, vs sterith auctorite to ry3ghtfull axynges *with* dewe
boðny⁴ to fauere, to þem namely þe which (wor[l]dly plesaunce
i-put by-hynde) after⁵ þe purpose of regular lyfe religiously to
leve and to þe almy3ghty lorde been⁶ knowe to *serue*: for this
16 cause, of⁷ my belouyd soonys in ouŕ lorde, to yowre ry3ghtfull
axynges we mercifully⁸ graunt, and þe church of the blessid
marye moder of god and euer Virgyñ in þe which ye been sett
to goddis seruice vndur þ⁹ proteccion of saynte petur and ouŕ
20 we take, and with þe priuylege of this writyng we make
stronge, ordeynyng þat all maner possessions, all goodis, now
ry3gh[t]fully and lawfully 3e haue, or in tyme to come by graunt-
yng of bisshopis, liberalnys of kynges, yevyng of pryncis, offryng
24 of true pepuls, or in oþer ry3ghtfull maners (oure lorde graunt-
yng) 3e⁹ shall be of powre to purchase, sure to yow and to your
successours and vntaxid¹⁰ abyde. In þe which, these thynges
we haue avised to be i-scheded in there owne names:—þe
28 church¹¹ of Cudelyngtoñ, þe church of Westoñ, þe church of
Hokenortoñ, þe church of Cleydoñ, þe church of Schenestoñ¹²,

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by pope
Eugenius
III,

under
protection
of the
papacy,
of all their
estates,

and, by
name, of
those in-
cluded
in the
diocesan's
confirma-
tion (no. 14),
also of
(no. 12)
Shenstone,

¹ See p. 16, note 3.

² English darkened by following the Latin order: 'apostolice sedis . . . nos hortatur auctoritas.'

³ i. e. the see of Rome: cp. similar roundabout description of the see of Lincoln, 13/14.

⁴ 'benignitate,' boon-ness.

⁵ 'secundum regularis vite propositum.'

⁶ 'militare noscuntur.'

⁷ Omit 'of.' The Latin is in vocative case.

⁸ 'clementer annuimus.'

⁹ 'poteritis adipisci.'

¹⁰ 'illibata.'

¹¹ The names of the six churches are noted in the margin.

¹² The marginal spelling is 'Shenston.'

pe church of Chesterton; all þat was of Robert Doylly in Oseney, with alle Dwellynges þe which he had vppon þe were þe which is of þe Milles the which beñ by þe Castell of oxonford; And tithynges of þe same Milles; with-in þe borowgh of 4 oxonford, all rentis of londis þe which þe forsaide Robert 3afe to þe same church, ij. s. of rent þe which helde ffromunde chapeleyne, þe tythe of Nychol Stodeham; with-in Hokenortoñ, free seruice of Hugh ffranceys of halfe j. hide, and j. 3erde of 8 londe; alle Etoñ with all thynges to hit perteynnyng (outetake þe mylle, and sperwesaye); of þe yifte of Kyng stephyñ, A prebende of lx. s. (of bensyntoñ, xxiiij.; of Bamptoñ, xxiiij.; of Hedyndoñ, xij. s.) and v. s. v. d. ob. qua. with-inne þe borowgh 12 of oxonforde of þat londe þe which is i-called viij. *yerdys of þe Kynges, with all customs to hit perteynnyng; Of þe yifte of Alide quene, j. hide þe which lyith at Hanberge and longeth to Stauntoñ; of þe yifte of Geffrey Chamburleyne of Glymtoñ, 16 langeneye, with alle thynges to hit perteynnyng; Of þe yifte of Robert ffolioth, þat londe of his ffee þe which lieth in þe grete striete of Oxonforde; Of þe yifte of Hugh tywe, Stanhale, with all thynges to hit longyng; The londe Also þe which was of 20 Raph flȝt sywarde, and elueue pulchyn, to yow resonable was yeve; Of þe yifte of Hugh palestede¹, dñ. hide in þe same towñ, with þe cousent of Henry of Estsexe²; Of þe ffee of William Bracy, þe church of Stanes³. We haue also ordeynyð þat if þe 24 fforsaide Castell of oxonforde fro diuinis seruices by chaunce be Enterdited, hit shall be lefult to yow notwithstanding, yates i-closed and cursed men or enterdited i-putt owte, in lowe voice to saye diuine seruice⁴; and your howseholde, and all them of 28 your⁵ paryssis þe which at 3owe turne inne by cause of hospitalite and þerre hap to be sike and to dye, in your church 3erde ffree faculte to berye we graunt to yow. ffor⁶ þis, we decree þat hit be not lawfult to oony manne to troble frowardely þe forsaide 32 monastery, or þe possessions of hit to take awaye, or i-take away to withholde, to lesson, or with oony greuances to make wery,

* leaf 4,
back.

and, in
addition,

(vii) Ston-
nall in
Shenstone,
Staffs.;
(viii) El-
nene
pulchyn's
gift;
(ix) Hugh
of Pole-
sted's gift;
(x) Stone
church.
Right
to hold
services
during
interdict.
Right to
bury in the
conventual
cemetery
all canons
and ser-
vants of
Oseney

¹ Hugh of Polested in Suffolk (H. Salter).

² 'Essexa,' in Latin.

³ Name noted in margin.

⁴ Marginal note: 'Note this privilege to say diuine seruice, þe londe Enterdited,

In þe castell.'

⁵ Read 'other': 'et eos omnes de alienis parochiis, qui apud vos hospitalitatis causa diuerterint.'

⁶ 'Decernimus ergo ut.'

but all pynges hoole be kepide for gouernynge¹ and susteynyng of them þe which þey² were i-grauntid to profite in all maner visis, sauynge þe auctorite of Apostlis see and þe lawfull ryght and reuerence of þe bisshop Diocesane. þerfore if oony man of þe church or seculere persone, knowe³ this writynge of owre ordinance, with ataste⁴ to come agaynste hit, þe secundu or þe þirde tyme i-warnyd; if he amende not with conuenient satisfaccioun, lacke⁵ (or lese) he þe dignyte of his powre and of his worschip, and know he hym-selfe gilty in þe Dome of god of þe wikednyse i-doo, and be he maade straunge and ferre fro the most holy body and blode of god and of oure lorde agayne-byer Ihu criste, And be he vndur⁶ to þe streyte veniaunce in þe last dome; And the kepers and conseruatoures be filled with goddis blessyng; & Joy they with þe rewarde of Euerlastyng blisse. Amen.

itself, and all visitors to Oseney who die there. Anathema against violators of this charter.

[19.] A confirmacion of þe chapiter of lincoln of þe churchis of Hokenorton, Cudelinton, Waterperye, Cleydon, and Stanes.

About 1200.

To all soonys of owr modur þe church to þe which this present writyng shall come, Roger⁷, Deen, and the chapiter of lincolne, euerlastyng helth in oure lorde. Know ye all we to haue i-grauntid, and as muche þat perteyneth (or longeth⁸) to vs to have i-confermed, to the church of saynte marye of Oseneye and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, churchis⁹ of Hokenorton, of Cudelyngton, of Waterperye, of Cleydon, of Stanes, with all þere pertinences, in to þere owne visis, to be had and to be holde, also hooly and pesible as þey holde and haue i-holde of grauntyng of worschipsfull ffadurs bisshops of þe church of lincoln. And that þis grauntyng and confirmacion abide clere in tyme to be, this present writyng, with þe streng[t]h of oure seele we haue i-made hit myghty and stronge. These 28 witnyssys .ȝ.

Confirmation to Oseney, by the dean and chapter of Lincoln, of five rectories.

¹ 'gubernatione.'
² 'concessa sunt visibus omnimodis profutura.'

³ Read 'knowing,' 'sciens.'

⁴ 'temptaverit.'

⁵ 'potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat.'

⁶ i.e. subject to the strait vengeance at the last judgement.

⁷ Roger de Rolveston, dean of Lincoln, 1195-1223.

⁸ Alternative rendering of 'pertinet.'

⁹ Stone and Waterperry, as in no. 37; the others, as in no. 12.

[20.] [VII.] Howe þ^e church of Seynte George was
i-geve to þ^e chanons of Oseneye.

* leaf 5.

Fiction that Robert Doyly II, founder of Oseney, obtained, in 1149, transference to his own foundation (no. 12), of his uncle's (Robert Doyly I) foundation (no. 2).

* IN¹ the 3ere of ou^r lorde anno MⁱCxlix (in the tyme of Eugene pope iij, an^d of Kyng sthephyn, and of theobalde Archiebisshop of Canturbery, and of Robert of chesnet bisshop of lincoln), of Robert Doylly þe ij (þe which was sone of Nigeli⁴ Doylly) was i-geve the church of saynte George, with all his pertinences, to þe regular chanons of Oseney, and of Gefrey of Tuory confermyd—þe which afore was i-gefe to þe seculer chanons in þe castell of Oxonforde: in pese wordes— 8

Pro-
fessedly
1149.

[21.] Þe principall charter of þe same Robert Doylly þe
Secunde, of þe saide yifte.

Pretended
confirmation
to
Oseney, by
Robert
Doyly II,

of his gifts
at Oseney
and in
Oxford, as
in no. 12
(a, b, c);
and grant
of St.
George's
church
(no. 2),

BE hit i-knowe to all cristen men þat I, Robert Doylly, willyng and grauntyng Edithe my wiffe and my soonys Henry and gilbert, 3efe and graunt, in-to pure and perpetueñ almys, to the church of god and of Seynte marye his modur and to þe 12 regul^r chanons in hit seruyng god And of² saynte marye his moder þe which (counseylyng and confermyng Robert³ by þe grace of god Bisshop of lincoln) I foundid in þe Ile þe which is i-called Oseney, for þe helth of þe Kyng and þe welefær of all þe 16 Reame and also for myne owñ helth and of my wife and soones, kynesfolkes, and of owre frendes, alle þat is myne in þe forsaide Ile; with alle Dwellynges þe which I had vppon þe where⁴ þ^e which is of my mylles; and alle þat I had in þe borowgh 20 of oxonforde or in þe subarbys; and þe church⁵ of Seynte George the which is i-set in þe Castell of oxonforde, with all churchis and chapelis londis rentis tenauntries and tithes possessions and other thynges to þe saide church of seynte 24

¹ An unskilful forgery. Robert Doyly II died September 1142, about a fortnight before Stephen began the siege of Oxford (Oseney Chronicle). St. George's was transferred to Oseney in 1149, by Henry Doyly, the founder's son. No. 21 is also a forgery. Whatever was 'de fundatione domus' was specially secure in the eyes of the law; and there was a strong temptation to attribute later accessions to the

founder himself. The true grant is no. 23.

² This second 'and of saynte marye his moder' is unrepresented in the Latin.

³ In error. Alexander was bishop of Lincoln at the foundation of Oseney.

⁴ 'super waram.'

⁵ Marginal note: 'the graunte of the Churche of saint George to Osney with his appurtenaunce; the tythes of all the Castell, &c. & others: note.'

George perteynyng: þat is to say, þe church of marye Mawde-
 leyne, þe which is i-set in þe subarbes of oxonforde, with iij.
 hides in Walton, and þe londe of ¹ xxi. acres, and þe tithe of þe
 4 same londes, and with þe mede þat is i-called Brummannys
 mede, with þe tithes of þe same mede, And with þe tithe of
 Northam ², Wyneleye, And lynch ³, and of all [the ⁴ lands and
 meads and other titheable things which are between] þe castell
 8 of Oxonforde and Henxsey or botely (þat is to say, in oxonforde
 shire), ande with oþer thynges and tithis to þe saide church
 of saynte Marye Mawdefen perteynyng; and ⁵ þe church of
 Cowlay, with iij. hides of londe in Cudeslawe and other
 12 pertinences, and iij. hides of londe, and medis ⁶ of Sidenham and
 ffrogmore, with men tithes and pertinences; and þe chapel of
 þe ffrees, with þe dwellyng or mansion and þe londe evyn
 ageynst þe chapel towarde þe west, with ffedynges and pastures
 16 and his oþer pertinences; And ij. hides in Ernycote, with þe
 woode and oþer pertinences; and þe church of Stowe, with alle
 þe towne, and with þe chapel of morton, and ij. hides of þe ffee
 of saynte George in þe same towne, to-gedur with þe woodes and
 20 oþer thynges and libertees to þe church of saynte George
 perteynyng; and þe londe of Worton, with the tithe of j. hide
 in þe same towne; and j. hide with þe pertinences in Saunforde;
 and þe londe of fforsthull, and of Burton, and of bothe
 24 Stooheale, with þe chapelis in þe same, woodis, villenages,
 rentes, and tithis and other thynges of my ffee, to þe church
 of Saynte george perteynyng; And half j. hide and j. 3erdelonde
 in Hokenorton, with þe pertinences; and ij. parties of tithe
 28 of alle thyng þe which is i-wonyd to be tithid of all demaynes ⁷
 of ayther honowr þe which lye to þe Castell of Oxenforde, þat

with all its
 property,
 viz. (1)
 St. Mary
 Magdaleno
 with lands,
 meads, and
 tithes, to
 the north
 and west
 of Oxford;

(2) Cowley
 church, 2
 hides, and
 meadows;
 (3) Cutslow,
 3 hides;
 (4) Frees
 chapel
 and land;
 (5) Arncott,
 2 hides;
 (6) Stowe,
 church
 and land;
 (7) Morton,
 chapel
 and land;
 (8) Worton,
 land and
 tithe;
 (9) Sand-
 ford, land;
 (10) Forest-
 hill, chapel
 and land;
 (11) Stonnall,
 Staffs.;
 (12) Black-
 bourton;
 (13) Hook-
 norton,
 land; tithes
 of the Doyly
 and Ivori
 demesnes,
 viz.

¹ The land called 'Twenty acres' lay in the north suburb of Oxford in the neighbourhood of the modern Walton Street. At the present day there is a field called 'Twenty acres' ('Twenty pound Meadow') in the west suburb, opposite the modern St. Frideswyde's parish church. The coincidence of name has sometimes caused confusion.

² A meadow by Cherwell, whose name survives in the modern Norham Road.

³ See note in no. 54.

⁴ Added from the Latin.

⁵ The clauses are out of order. The

Latin gives, correctly, 'and the church of Cowley, with two hides of land and the meads of Sydenham and Froggemore, and other pertinences; and three hides of land in Cutslowe with men, tithes, and other pertinences.' Cutslow, two miles north of Oxford, is a member of Kidlington (Wood's *Life and Times*, i. 353).

⁶ These meadows lay east of the Cherwell, opposite Christ Church meadow: see 'Sidnam' in Wood's *City of Oxford*, i. map ii.

⁷ i.e. demesne-lands: Latin 'de omnibus dominicis utriusque honoris.'

(14) of six manors by Banbury;
 (15) of nine manors by Woodstock;
 * leaf 5, back.
 (16) of fourteen manors by Bicester;
 (17) of twelve manors chiefly in Bucks;
 (18) of six manors by Bampton;
 (19) of ten manors, Oxford to Boarstall;
 (20) of seven manors in Gloucestershire;
 (21) of six manors by Watlington;
 (22) of nine

is to saye, of Hokenorton¹, Swerforde, Bereforde², Wiginton, and of j. hide and dñ. in Edburby³, and of j. hide and þe thirde parte [of half] of j. hide in Cornewell; and of Cudelyngton⁴, Throp⁵, Withhull⁶, Hensynton⁷, and Northlye⁸, and of j. hide 4 and dñ. in Barthon Odonis⁹, and Rolesham¹⁰ of eyþer *courte, and of dunstywe, ledewell¹¹; and Heyforde, of Hampton¹² with Northbroke gaytorum, & blechesdon¹³, of Weston¹⁴, Burcetw¹⁵ with Wrechwike¹⁶, Buckenhuil¹⁷, Arduley¹⁸ with northbroke by 8 Somerton, of Mixbury, Willauston¹⁹, fullwell, Hordewyke²⁰; Tynforde²¹, Westbury, Shaleston, Turesmere²², Stratforde²³, Turueston²⁴, and Caldewell²⁵, of Wyke²⁶, Thornteton, Thorneborowgh, Radecluye, Haseley²⁷; of Burton²⁸, Kencote, Northton²⁹, 12 Bampton, Dukelynton, Escote³⁰ doyluorum; of bekeley³¹ of all þe towne, Horthton³², Morkote³³, and of dñ. hide in stodeleye³⁴ þat longeth to bekeleye, and of Asshe³⁵, of Wodepwyke³⁶, and pure³⁷, Elfelfelde³⁸, Ocle³⁹, and Horspathe; of Turkedynton⁴⁰, lituñ 16 Rysynden⁴¹, Tretton⁴², Hampton⁴³, Tetbury, cherynton, and Heselden⁴⁴; of Watlynton, Goryng, Weston by chiltre⁴⁵, Estcote⁴⁶ (by Holcombe) of the fee that longeth to þe castell of oxonforde, Euere⁴⁷, and of ayther courte of shyrburn; Ardynton, 20

¹ Noted in margin. Of the six, three are in Chadlington hundred, three in Bloxham hundred.

² Barford.

³ Adderbury.

⁴ Kidlington.

⁵ Thrupp.

⁶ White-hill, in Tackley parish.

⁷ Hensington, in Bladon parish.

⁸ Northleigh.

⁹ Little Barton: see no. 128.

¹⁰ Rousham.

¹¹ Ledwell or Lodwell, in Wootton parish.

¹² Hampton Gay: this set is in Ploughley hundred.

¹³ Bletchington.

¹⁴ Weston-on-the-Green.

¹⁵ Bicester.

¹⁶ A hamlet in Bicester parish.

¹⁷ Bucknell.

¹⁸ Ardley. 'Ardulfeyn' in Henry III's Insepimus.

¹⁹ Woolaston in Mixbury parish.

²⁰ Hardwick.

²¹ Thenford in Northants.

²² Tusmore, near Cottisford.

²³ Water Stratford.

²⁴ Turweston.

²⁵ Not identified. 'Goldewelle' in the Latin.

²⁶ Wyke = Wick-Dyve, Northants.

²⁷ Haseley, in Radcliffe parish, Bucks.

²⁸ Blackbourton, in Bampton hundred.

²⁹ Brize Norton.

³⁰ Ascot D'oyley.

³¹ Beckley, in Bullingdon hundred.

³² Horton, in Beckley parish.

³³ Mercot, in Charlton-on-Otmoor.

³⁴ Studley.

³⁵ Probably Nash, in Beckley parish.

³⁶ Woodperry.

³⁷ (Water)perry.

³⁸ Elsfield.

³⁹ Oakley, by Boarstall.

⁴⁰ Turkdean.

⁴¹ Rissington.

⁴² Tretone, now called Bruerne.

⁴³ Hampnett, Glouc.

⁴⁴ Haselton, Glouc.

⁴⁵ Chiltre = the Chilterns: and so South-weston in Pirton hundred.

⁴⁶ Ascot, in Great Milton parish, in Thame hundred.

⁴⁷ Iwer, Bucks.

Betrynton¹, Harewell, ledecumbe, and in Elflynton² of thre hides and of þe mylle, of Craneforde³, leyes⁴, tenesshe⁵, Tenyeth⁶; Haurugge⁷, Kolestōn⁸, Messeworth⁹, and clop-
⁴ pam¹⁰; and all þe tithe of þe Demayne of Wolgarcote¹¹, and in Baldyntōn¹² of thre hides, and in Wauerton¹³, of þe demayne, of Croftes¹⁴ and Tewycrosse¹⁵ ij. parties of all maner tithes, ande in Ibston þe tithe of oon hide, and in Cutlynton¹⁶, þe tithe of
⁸ j. hide, ande in Cawdewell þe tithe of three 3erdes. Wherefore I wille and surely charge þat þe chanons of þe foresaide church and pere successours haue and holde, well and in peece, all tenementes londis rentis tithis and possessions þe which þey
¹² haue in all þe forsaide maners, and also of me and my eyres or my meñ may geete in tyme to come, with all liberteis¹⁷ and free customs þe which I euer had or cony of myne aunceturs; and þat þey haue pere courte ffre of here meñ of all maner
¹⁶ transgressions or mysdoynge¹⁸ ande defautes; and been quyte, bothe they and there tenautes, of all maner sutes of my cowite, and of sute of my myllis, and of all demaundis or axynge¹⁹, outetake Justice or ry3ght of deth or of membres. And if þey
²⁰ or there meñ be amerced agaynst me or myne eyres of²⁰ my baylyffs for oony cause, trespas, or forfete, all mercys²¹ and mercymentes and all fynes and all profytes and all outegoynges²² of pleys þat comen forthe of þem or of pere meñ shall be of þe
²⁴ chanons selfe, withoute oony agayne-holdyng to me or to myne heyres, weper hit be for defautes or for oony other cawse. Also I witt and charge surely þat þe saide chanons ande pere suc-
 chiefly Berk-shire manors; (23) of some twelve dispersed manors;
 with manorial privileges (no. 39);
 exemption from service to courts and mills of Doyly manors;
 right to fines imposed on their tenants;
 right to common

¹ Batterton, Berks.

² Elfreton in Welford parish, Berks.

³ Cranford in Northts., near Kettering.

⁴ Leyes is probably Northleigh, *supra*.

⁵ Tenesshe is perhaps Asshe, *supra*.

⁶ Tenyeth (or Peryeth, as in the Latin) is probably Woodperry, *supra*.

⁷ Hawridge, Cotslow hundred, Bucks.

⁸ Coleston- or Colston-Basset, Notts.

⁹ Marsworth, Cotslow hundred, Bucks.

¹⁰ Clapham, Beds.

¹¹ Marginal note: 'Note for tithes of the demesne of Wolgarcote,' i.e. Wolvercote.

¹² Baldon, Oxon.

¹³ Waverton, or Warton, in Leominster parish, Herefordshire.

¹⁴ Croftes seems to be another name for

the manor in Waverton, which paid tithe to Oseney.

¹⁵ Twycross in Orton-on-the-hill parish, Leicestershire.

¹⁶ 'Curtlington' in the Latin, i.e. Kirtlington.

¹⁷ Marginal note: 'Note and marke þe liberties.'

¹⁸ As usual, the word introduced by 'or' is an alternative English word for the preceding Latinism. The Latin is 'de omnimodis transgressionibus et defaltis.'

¹⁹ Latin: 'de omnimodis demandis exceptis iustitia mortis et membrorum.'

²⁰ Read 'or': 'seu.'

²¹ Marginal note: 'Note for flynes & amerciamentes, &c.'

²² Latin, 'exitus.'

pasture for
sheep, pigs,
and cattle ;

right to pay
damage
done by
their cattle,
by arbitra-
tion, not by
sentence of
the manor-
ial court.

cessours and þere tenauntes haue fre entryng ande goyng
oute ande fre commune to þere shepe and hogges and to all
here bestes in all my maners, and that þey be not inparked
or y-poyued¹ but þey be i-founde in open harme ; þat² if hit⁴
happen, þey maye receyue þere bestes³ and by the syght of
lawfull men þe harme þat þere bestis haue i-do, owte of my
courte, to make to be amendid: and that this my yifte and
graunt ande confirmacion of this charter be Sure and stable for 8
euer, To this wrytyng I haue put to my seele. Thes witnesses,
Theobalde archiebishop of Canterbury, Bisshop of Wircetur
Symon, Thurstane⁴ archiebishop of Yorke, Robert Bisshop of
lyncoln, Gilbert filioth Herforde, Henry Doyly and Gilbert his¹²
brother, and other.

[NOTE.—As far back as Anthony Wood's time (*City of Oxford*, ii. 190-2) the preceding section of the Oseney Register was felt to be a puzzle, and many of the names in it long remained untraced. The Rev. H. E. Salter, by collation of the original Oseney deeds as well as of the Registers, has solved the problem of the section and identified its names. The 'charter,' he points out, must have been invented after 1191, by tacking together several grants of earlier and later dates, without the least attempt to make them fit in with each other. The charter, by its witnesses, professes to be of date 1149, but Robert Doyly II died seven years before that. The bishop of Lincoln at the foundation of Oseney was Alexander, not Robert. The constructor of the charter may have taken the name Robert either from Alexander's predecessor, Robert Bloet (1093-1123), who during his episcopate seems to have granted a confirmation-charter to St. George's church ; or from Alexander's successor, Robert de Chesnei (1147-68), who in 1149 sanctioned the grant, by Henry Doyly I, of St. George's church and its possessions to Oseney. The deed makes Oseney in 1149 possessed of Frees chapel, which in fact was the gift of Thomas of St. Walery about 1191 ; and of the tithes of Twycross and Warton obtained in 1187-9 by an exchange, which is fully described in the Oseney Cartulary. The list of places is confused by the jumbling together of names taken from different confirmations. Thus, the scribe gives both Perieth and Woodperry, but they are probably the same ; so also, probably, Leyes and Northlye ; Asshe and Tenesse ; Cawdewell (Caldewell) and Goldwell.]

About
1100.

[22.] A confirmacion off Geffrey of Iuory þe sone of
Roger of Iuory off þe Same yifte.

All men knowe that I, Gefferye of Iuorye, grauntid, and with
* leaf 6. this my present charter con^efermed, to god And to þe Church

¹ 'or y-poyued' is an English equivalent of the preceding word: Latin is merely 'ne possint imparcari.'

² 'quod si contigerit.'

³ i.e. out of the pound, on giving surety for payment of damage: cp. nos. 39, 40.

The Latin is 'per vadimonium averia sua recipiant.'

⁴ 'Another mark of forgery. Thurstan died 1140. If the charter were genuine, it would have been witnessed by Henry Murdac, archbishop 1147-53.

of Saynte marye of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, all londis churchis rentis tithis and possessions þey haueð in all my maners, of the yifte of Robert Doyly and the grauntyng of Roger of Iuorye my faduð, in-to pure and perpetuell almes, as þe charters of þe forsaide Robert and roger þe which they haue fully witnyssse: and, for that I wyll þe yevyng and grauntyng of þe forsaide Robert and Roger be sure and stable for euer, with my seele imprentyng this present writyng I haue i-seelid: These witnyssse Robert, by þe grace of god Bisshop of lincoln; Robert Doyly þe yunguð, &c^o.

Pretended confirmation to Oseney (about 1249), by Jeffrey of Iveri, joint-patron (nos. 1, 3) of St. George's church, of no 21.

NOTE.—The charter, as it stands, cannot be genuine, because the Iveri family became extinct about 1110, several years before Oseney was founded. A genuine deed, by which Jeffrey of Iveri confirmed its possessions to the church of St. George, seems to have been adapted to strengthen the forgery (no. 21), by substituting 'Marye of Oseney' for 'George.'

[23.] A confirmacion of Henry Doylly þe ffirst þe Sone¹ of þe saide Robert Doylly his ffadur off þe saide thynges. A D. 1149.

BE hit i-knowe to all trew meñ of holy church that I, Henry Doylly, with þe consent and grauntyng of my Broþer Gilbert, and with þe counsell of Syre Robert (þe soone of Roger²) my broþer and of my moduð and of oder ffrendes and of my meñ, yefe and graunte, in-to perpetuell almys, for þe sowle of Kyng Henry and for þe sowle of my ffaduð Robert Doylly and other kynnesfolkes and of myne aunceturs and for my helth and of my moduð and of my brethryñ and of oper of my ffrendes and for þe state and welesfare of all þe realme, to þe church of Saynte marye þe which my ffadur fundid in þe Ile þe which is i-called Oseney and to þe chanons in hit seruyng god, my church of Saynte George the which is in þe Castell of Oxonforde, with all thynges þe which beð of my fee and perteynyng to hit, þat is to say, in howses in tithis in playne in woode in ryvers and in ffedynges and in all oper thynges, with customs & liberteis þe which he³ helde in þe

Grant to Oseney, by Henry Doyly I,

of St. George's church.

¹ MS. has 'the Sone the Sone.' This is a genuine deed, extant as Brit. Mus. Add. Charter 20,361.

has 'domini Roberti filii regis'; i. e. of lady Edith's son by Henry I.

³ Read 'it'; i. e. the church.

² A most misleading slip. The Latin

tyme of my aunceturs þe which foundid hit. Wherefore I wille and surely ordeyne þat þe forsayde church of Saynte George¹, of þe which my ffadur was foundur and of þe which I am patrone and advocate, This addyng² to þencresyng of my ffadurs almys þe which³ be ordeyned þere, hit holde, of me and of all myne heyres and successours, quietly and worschipfully, all exaccion i-put⁴ a-bak, fro this tyme nowe and for Euer Witnesses: Daniell, Abbot of Mussendene; Alurede⁵, Abbot of 8 Dorchester, 1.

About
1155.

[24.] A confirmacion of þe same Henry off þe forsaide thynges and off other giftes of his modur.

Confirmation to
Oseney, by Henry
Doyly I (died
1163), of

(i) St. George's
church;

(ii) in Hooknorton,
1 hide of villein-
age, 3 hides of
demesneland, &
24 acres meadow;

(iii) in Claydon, 2
hides of villein-
age, of lady
Edith's gift (died
1152); $\frac{1}{2}$ hide in ex-
change;
 $\frac{3}{4}$ hide given by
Philip Hampton
(with surrender of
feudal superi-
ority);

8 'tilths' given by
lady Edith,

* leaf 6, back.

BE hit i-knowe to all trew men of holy church that I Henry Doylly, yefe and graunt, and with my charter Conferme, in-to ffre and pure almes, to þe church of God¹² and of Saynte marye his modur and to þe chanons in hit seruyng god (þe which my ffadur foundid in þe Ile þe which is i-called Oseney), þe church of Saynte George, with all thynges perteynyng to hit of my ffee; and in 16 Hokenorton, j. hide of villenage, and Prestfelde and buturhulle for thre hides, and of þe mede of my lordship as much as perteyneth to thre hides (þat is to say, ij. acre, euerych yerde); In cleydon, ij. hides of villenage, þe which 20 my modur gaf to þe same church, and halfe an hide (also of villenage) þe which I gaf to þem in-to an Eschaunge of dñ. oon hide (also of villenage) þe which is in Weston, & dñ. an hide of þe yifte of philippe of Hampton 24 ande of his wiffe and of his scone, of þe which I clayme nowe quyte to þe sayde church þat þe same philippe and his heyres ofte⁶ to me pere-of, and al-so-much of my lordship as * my fader⁷ gaf to þem (that is to say, Medehulle 28 and Senesham and the redelande and Sibrecrofte and

¹ A strange error. Latin has, correctly, 'prefata sancte Marie ecclesia'; i. e. Oseney.

² 'additamentum.' This 'adding,' really by Henry Doyly I, is attributed to his father in the spurious deed (no. 21).

³ 'quam,' scil. cleemosinam. The refer-

ence is to the foundation-gift (no. 12).

⁴ 'postposita.'

⁵ Alfred, abbot of Dorchester, 1146-63.

⁶ 'debeabant.'

⁷ A slip. Latin has, correctly, *mater*. 'She' ('ipsa') follows lower down.

Kynges brugge hale and stodefolde and prettesthorð and benetebrech), and dñ. an hide þe which was of Geffrey, with þe mede þat she with þe same londes assynyð to þem, And j. 4 crofte and a volate þat Hemmyiñg preste was i-wonyð to haue, and pannage of here owne hogges, and in woode in þe same towne that¹ is nede to howsis and heggges to be made and to fyre to be made; In Westoñ, j. hide and dñ. [that 8 is to say], thre 3erdes of villenage (þat is to say², a 3erde where þe mansioñ of þe chanons is, and a 3erde þe which Robert holdeth, [and³ a yerde the which Herbert holdeth]), and thre yerdes of þe lordeship, as my modur maade to be 12 deliuered to þem; In Etoñ, Sparewesaye⁴ for j. hide; and xxti acris of Waltoñ, with meñ, and medis and ffedynges; and in all my maners pasture for pere owne oxoñ & pere shepe and hogges commune with myne. Wherefore I wille 16 and surely ordeyñ þat þe saide church alle þe forsaide tenures and possessions haue & hold, weñ and in pece, and worschipfully and fully, with all liberteis and his ffre customs in meñ in howsis in londis in woode in playne and 20 in all other thynges and placis. Witnyssis, Water of Tywe, þ.

with a $\frac{1}{2}$ hide and meadow, a croft, and a volate; free pannage, house-bote, hedge-bote, and fire-wood; (iv) In *Weston-on-the-Green*, 3 yardlands of villenage, 3 of demesne-land, of lady Edith's gift;

(v) in *Water-eaton*, Sparewesaye; (vi) in *Walton*, 'Twenty acres,' with pasture and other rights; with rights of common pasture in all Doily manors.

[25.] A confirmacion of Henry Doylly þe ij. of his 3ifte About
aforesaide. 1182.

BE hit i-knowe to all true meñ of holy church that I, Henry Doylly þe soone of Henry Doylly, with þe consent and assent of Robert my broþer and with þe counsell of myne free meñ, 24 grauntid, and with my charter confermed, to the church of saynte maryl of Oseney and to þe chanons pere seruyng god, for þe sowles of my predecessours and of myne kynnesfolkes and for my helth and of myne, in-too free and perpetueñ almes, all 28 þe yevynges the which Robert⁵ Beele my ffader maade to þe same church and Edith my Beele moder and Henry my ffader, þat is to say;

Confirmation to Oseney, by Henry Doyly II (died 1232),

of the grants made,

Of þe yeste of Robert my Beele Sire (the which þe forsaide (a) by his

¹ 'quod necesse fuerit domibus et sepibus suis reficiendis, et ad focum faciendum.'

² cp. no. 26.

³ Added from the Latin.

⁴ Reserved to the lord in the former grant (no. 12).

⁵ Latin: 'Robertus avus meus.'

grand-
father (no.
12);

church founded), aȝ þe forsaide Ile of Oseney, with aȝ dwellynges þe which been of my ffee vppon the weer in the same Ile, and tithynges of þe mylles þe which ben by the castell of oxonforde; and vnder þe waȝ, j. dwellyng þe which was of 4 Waryne chapeleyne; and þes churches of my ffee, þe church of Cudelyngton, þe church of Weston, þe church of Hokenorton, þe church of Cleydon, þe church of shenston, þe church of cherterton; with-in þe borowgh¹ of oxonforde þe londres þe 8 which helden Engerike, Raymunde, Ailnot, Godwyȝ þe scō² Edwacheȝ, ermenolde, Godwyne Nicuma, Swetyng Cadica, Rauenyng, Segryne by the Waȝ, Henry Coruesȝ, leofwyȝ Haltyng³, Godwyȝ money makeȝ, Brythrik money makeȝ, 12 Godrik, William, Raph Backster⁴, leofwyne Budda, Geffrey Miller; and ⁵ ij. 3. þe which helde fromunde chapeleyne, and þe tithyng of Nicoll of Stodeham the which þe same fromunde helde; and Eton aȝ þe towne in þe lordeschip and villenage 16 and free fee (oute-take þe mylle, and Sparwesaye); within Hokenorton, dȝ. an hide þe which was off Hugh ffranceys, and j. 3erde londe þe which helde Morice.

(b) by his
father (no.
24);
* leaf 7.
[Watling-
ton church,
see no. 13.]

Of þe yifte of Henry my ffaȝur, þe church of Seynte George, 20 with aȝ thynges þe which * longe to hit of my ffee; þe church of Watlynton; In Hokenorton, j. hide of villenage, and prestfelde⁶, and of þe mede of the lordeschip al-so-muche as longeth to thre hides (that is to say, two acris to euery 3erde); 24 In Eton, sparewesay; and xxti acris⁷ of Walton, with men & medes and ffedynges longyng to þe same.

(c) and
grand-
mother
(no. 24).

Of þe yifte of my Bele Dame Edithe also, and of my ffaȝur, in Cleydon, ij. hides and dȝ. ande of þe lordeschip of the same 28 towne Sucnesham and the redelande and Sibcrofte and Kynges bruggehal and Stodefolve and Benet breche, and dȝ. hide þe which was of Geffrey with a mede þe which perteyneth to þe same londres, and j. crofte and a volate⁸ the⁹ Hemimnyng preste 32 was i-woned to have, and pannage of here owne hogges, and in

¹ MS. repeats 'within þe borowgh.'

² 'Godwinus filius Edwaker' in the Latin: so the translator did not venture to say 'the son of Edwarcher.'

³ 'Leofwinus claudus.'

⁴ 'pistor.'

⁵ 'et duas solidatas redditus quas.'

⁶ The Latin adds 'et Buterhull.'

⁷ Marginal note: 'Note: xxii acres of Walton with men & meades and fedinges to the same.'

⁸ 'Et unam croftam et volatam.'

⁹ Probably 'the [which] Hemming,' but 'the' by itself is found in this MS, as a relative. Latin has 'quam Hemmingus presbiter solebat habere.'

the woode of þe same towne that is nede to them to howses and
 hegges to be i-made and to be ffire to be made; In Westoñ
 j. hide and dñ. [that is to say] iij. 3erdes of villenage (that is to
 4 say, j. 3erde where þe dwellyng of þe chanons is, and a 3erde
 þat Robert holdeth [and a yerde that Herbert holdeth ¹]), and
 thre 3erdes of þe lordeschip, with the mede; and in all my
 maners commune pasture to þere owne oxoñ [and to their
 8 sheep ¹], and to þere hogges, with myne.

Ffurþermore, I haue i-gefe to þe forsaide chanons in-to
 Encresyng ², for þe sowle of my ffadurs and modurs ³ and for
 myne helth and of myne, all my mede þe which is at þe west of
 12 here courte of osney (now ⁴ hit is i-called ffullyngmylleham ⁵
 and þe hurst ⁵ with þe mede lyng þere-to), in-to perpetuell
 almys, ffire and quite for all seruice, and purpresture ⁶ of here
 Gardeyne of Cudelyntoñ; and þe chanons quite-claymed to me
 16 two telthis in Cleydoñ, that is to say, Medehalle and prestes-
 thoroñ, þe which þey claymed agaynste me of þe 3ifte of my
 Beledame and of my ffadur.

This grauntyng and 3evyng and confirmacion I made with þe
 20 wille and assent of Robert my broþer and with þe counsell of
 my ffire meñ, and vppoñ þe Auter of saynte marye in þe forsaide
 church of Oseney I offerid, and my body to be i-beried after
 my deth I vowid. Wherefore I wilþ that þe forsaide church and
 24 chanons alle þe fornamed thynges haue and holde for euer as
 ffrely and quietly fro all seruice þat to me or myne eyres
 perteyneth as oony of my predecessores helde þem most fre and
 most quietly whanne þey were in my lordeschip These witnesses,
 28 Robert my Broder ⁶, &c.

Grant to
 Oseney, by
 said Henry
 Doily II, of

meadow
 and land
 near Ose-
 ney, and
 a strip
 of land at
 Kidlington,
 Oseney re-
 linquishing
 2 'tilths'
 at Claydon,
 no. 24 (11).

[Offering
 on altar.]
 [Burial at
 Oseney.]

[26.] A confirmacion of Robert Bisshop of lincoln of þe
 fforsaide thynges and of Bladen and Midlee and of
 oper 3iftis of þemperice and off oper.

About
 1158.

ROBERT, By the grace of God, Bisshop of lincoln ꝑ. Wherefore
 we, 3evyng ly3ght assent to þe ry3ghtfull prayers of owr moste

Confirma-
 tion to
 Oseney, by

¹ Added from the Latin.

² 'in augmentum.'

³ 'pro animabus parentum.'

⁴ The bracketed words are a later ex-
 planation. In the Latin they occur as a
 marginal note.

⁵ Name noted in the margin.

⁶ 'Roberto de Witefeld tunc vicecomite
 Oxenefordie' follows in the Latin. Robert
 of Witefeld was sheriff from Easter 1182
 to Easter 1185: List of Sheriffs (Publ.
 Rec. Office, 1898).

Robert of
Chesney
(bp. of Lin-
coln 1148-
66),

Dere soone Wigoodde Abbot¹ of Oseney ande of his Brethryñ, the church of Saynte marye in þe which þey be i-geve to goddis seruice, [the which] in þe Ile the which is i-callid Oseney was i-foundid and made, with all thynges with-inne the costis to 4 yow^r parisshe perteynyng; vndur þe Defence of Saynt mary and owre we take, and with þese letters we make hit strong: in the which, these thynges to be i-schewed we have avised in here owne names, that is to say: 8

of ten
churches
in his
diocese;

þe church of Saynte George, with all his holenysse²; þe church of Cudelintoñ, þe church of Westoñ, þe church of Hokenortoñ, þe church of Cleydoñ, þe church of Chestertoñ, þe church of Watelintoñ, þe church of Stanys, þe church of 12 Cowley, and þe chapel of fforsthuff; and all that was of Robert Doylly founder of this church, and of Henry his sone, in Oseney, with all Dwellynges þe which been vppoñ the were of þe Milles, and all þe londe þat þey had withinne þe Borowgh 16 of Oxonforde; And all Etoñ³, with all þynges to hit *perteynyng (but þe Mille); and in Hokenortoñ, dñ. hide þe which was of Hugh ffraunceys, and j. 3erdelonde þe which was of Morice; þere also j. hide of londe with iiij. meñ of Warlande⁴, 20 and of þe lordeship prestesfelde and buturhuff, and of þe mede of þe lordschip al-so-muche as longeth to iij. hides; In Westoñ iij. 3erdes of londe of Warlant⁵ and iij. of þe lordeship with þe mede; In cleydoñ, ij. hides of Warlant, and vj. of Cotlane⁶, 24 and of þe lordeship prestesthorñ and benetbrech and stodeforde and in a-nope^r felde Medelham with þe mede in þe heldis, of⁷ Redelande and Sibcrofte and Kynges bruggehalde; and xx^{ti} Acris⁸ in Waltoñ, with medys and ffedynges; and ij. 3. of Rent 28 þe which ffromunde Chapeleyne helde, and þe tithe of Nichol of Stodeham;

of king
Stephen's
gift (no.
14);

And of Kyng Henry and of themperice, a prebende þe which was of peuerell of lx. 3., and with-inne þe borowgh of Oxon- 32 forde iij. 9 3. v. d. ob. qua. of viij. 3erdes of þe Kyng, and þe lok¹⁰

¹ See n. 7, p. 13.

² 'cum omni integritate sua.'

³ Name noted in margin.

⁴ 'cum quattuor hominibus de Warland.'

⁵ Sic: and so also in the Latin.

⁶ Read 'and vi. cotlands,' Latin has '& sex cotlanz.' A *cotagium* or *cotland*

was 2 acres, or 4 acres, attached to a cottar's house.

⁷ Omit 'of.' Latin 'le Redeland.'

⁸ Marginal note: 'the prebend of peuerell; xx^{to} acres in Walton, with meades & fedinges. Note.'

⁹ 'v. s.' in the Latin, and in nos. 14, 18.

¹⁰ Marginal note: 'The locke.'

or goter þat Hildewyñ helde þe which was of Henry Costentine, and þe londe þe which was of Geffray and William Brethryñ¹, and þe londe þe which was of Theodorike le bere, and þe lond² þe which was of Godefrey at seynte Judook², and þe londe þe which was of Nigelle of Gardeyne, and þere-by þe londe the which Hisumwharde helde;

And of þe 3ifte of quene Adelide, and grauntyng of them-
8 perice, j. hide by þe brygge of Bladone, with the lordeship and þe mede;

And þe³ Ile of langeneye, of þe 3ifte of Geffrey Chamburleyne and of themperice; and a-noþer Ile of Mideley, of þe 3ifte of
12 þe Citecyñs of oxonford; and j. dwellyng by the northe 3ate of þe 3ifte of Robert flolieth; and þe londe þe which Raph ffigt sywarde 3afe; and þe londe þat Elue⁴ pulecyñ yafe; And, of þe 3ifte of Hugh Tywe⁵; In Cleydoñ, of þe 3ifte of philip
16 Hamptoñ, dñ. hide; In fforsthull, ij. hides; In Watlyntoñ, of þe 3ifte of Halinalde of Bidun, j. 3erde of londe of þe lordeship; In cote þe which is a membur of Cudelintoñ, j. hide of þe 3ifte of Raph Bretun; In blechesdoñ, of þe 3ifte of Raph amary, j.
20 3erde of londe of þe lordship and anoper of Warlonde; of þe 3ifte of Wigan, in ffulebrok, j. hide of londe:

Sauyng þe dignite of þe church of lincoln. þerfore of this our confirmacion, ð. ut supra.

and, of new acquisitions, of the lock (59, 61), and lands near Oseney;

also, confirmation of dowager queen Alice's gift (no. 83); of Langney (14), and Medley (69); of lands in Oxford (14, 18) and elsewhere;

and, of new, lands in Foresthill, Watlington, Cote, Bletchingdon, Fulbroke (in Hogshaw, Bucks).

[27.] A confirmacion of Moolde themperice of þ^e church
of Seynte George with all his pertinences.

A.D.
1149.

24 MOOLDE, themperice, Kyng Henry dow3ghter, and lady of yngelonde, to Archiebisshops Bisshops Abbotes Erles Barons shreves Mynsters and all here meñ, ffrenshe and English, of all Englonde, helth. Know 3e me to have i-graunted, and con-
28 fermed, to god and saynte Mary of Oseney and to þe Prior and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, in-to perpetuell almys, for the

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
Maud, em-
press,

¹ 'fratrum.'

² 'apud sanctum Buoc' in the Latin.

³ Marginal note: 'the Ile of Langney & Mydley: note.'

⁴ 'Alneua.'

⁵ The English is here confused. The Latin shows that it should run 'Of the gift

of Hugh of Tew, in Forsthull, two hides; in Burton, two hides; in Cleydon. . . ' In the English one clause is brought in too late; the other dropt out. The places are Foresthill, near Wheatley; Blackbourton, near Bampton.

of St.
George's
church,
with its
belongings
(as after-
wards
transferred
to Oseney,
no. 23, by
Henry
Doyly I),

heltþ of my lorde and myne and our ffre children¹ and for þe
sowle of Kyng Henry my ffadur and ffor þe sowle of quene
Moolde my modur and of our oper aunceturs, þe church of
Saynte George þe which is in þe castell of Oxonford, with all⁴
his pertinences: þat is to say, the church of Saynte Mary
mawdeſen þe which is in þe strete with-oute þe northgate, and
þe londe of Waltoñ of bothe parte² of þe weye³ by þe which
hit is i-goo fro Waltoñ to þe castell as Waltere Archedecoñ⁸
helde hit, and þe londe of Cudeslawe, and of Covelay⁴ (with
þe church), And þe londe of stowe and of mortoñ (with þe
church and þe chapel), and þe londe of Wortoñ, and of
Saunforde, and ij. hides of Ernycot, with all oper thynges to¹²
þe forsaide church of Saynte George perteynyng in tithis in
meñ [in lands⁵] in howses and Medis and ffe dynges in woode
and in playne, as þe forsaide church helde fro þe tyme of theñ
þe which foundid hit, and as Henry Doyly and John of seynte¹⁶
* John⁶ grauntid and with pere seeles confermed. Wherefore
I wilf and Surely commaunde þat þe forsaide church and
chanons the forsaide tenauntries haue and holde, weñ and in
pece, and worschipfully firely and quietly, with sock and sack,²⁰
tol and theam, and Infangenthef, with all other customs and
fredoms⁷ þe which þey had in the tyme off Kyng Henry
my faduñ. Witnesses:—Robert⁸ þe sone of þe Kyng my
broþer.

* leaf 8.

with full
manorial
jurisdic-
tion.

24

About
1158.
Confirma-
tion by
Henry II.

[28.] Henry⁹, Kyng of Inglonde, Duke of Normandy and
Gyeñ, And Erle of Angye, cunñ like to þe charter of themperice
afore i-write of þe forsaide 3iftes, ð

¹ 'ffre children' occurs several times: a mis-rendering of 'liberorum nostrorum'.

² Marginal notes: 'Walton on Euery side of þe wey as the goo from Walton to the Castell,' 'the same was parcell of the prebend of Peuerell.'

³ 'ex utraque parte vie per quam itur de Waltona.'

⁴ Marginal notes: 'Cowley.' 'Note the launde in Cowley with the church & fredoms.'

⁵ Added from the Latin.

⁶ The family of St. John had succeeded the Iveri family (nos. 3, 22) as co-patrons of St. George's church. The grant of John

de St. John is not given in the cartulary, but is extant as Brit. Mus. Add. Charter 20.360.

⁷ Marginal note: 'the fredoms.'

⁸ Robert, Henry Doyly's half-brother, was son of Edith Forne by Henry I. Wood (*City of Oxford*, i. 277) wrongly identifies him with Robert (Consul or 'de Caen'), earl of Gloucester, who died 1147. Joscelyn of Bailol is another witness; he was consecrated bishop of Sarum in 1142. The place is Devizes.

⁹ Marginal note: 'Henry the second.' The place is Salisbury. One witness is Thomas [Becket], chancellor.

[29.] A confirmacion of Robert Belnet¹, Bisshop of About
lincoln, of þ^e church of Seynte George with his 1150.
pertinences.

ROBERT, by þe grace of god Bisshop of lincoln, þ. Wherefore Confirmation to Oseney, by the diocesan,
we, grauntyng to þe Axynges of owre most dere Childreñ
chanons þat is to say of Oseney, graunte and with this present
4 writyng in-to perpetueñ almes conferme, to þeñ and to þe
monastery in þe which þey beñ i-sett to goddis seruice, þe
church of Seynte George þe which is i-sett in the castell of
oxonford; with all tenauntries and possessions to þe same church
8 perteynyng, þat is to say, in churchis in tithis in meñ in
howses in londes In waters in Medis and pasturs in woode in
playne and in all oþer thynges, with all customs and liberteis
þe which þe same church of Saynte George had in þe tyme of
12 ouñ aunceturs þe which founde² hit, þat is to say, in that ordre
þat, after þe decese of þe clerkes the which now beñ lordes to
þe possessions, þe same possessions and rentes with all holenesse
shall go in-to þe vsis and þe lordeship of the Brethrin now of
16 þe saide church of Oseney, so, notwithstanding³, þat of þe same
Benefices so moch schall be reserued and keped to þe seruice of
now þe saide church of Saynt George⁴, after þe Disposicion of
vs and of þe patrone and prelate of þe monastery of þe regulær
20 clerkes (þat⁵ is to say, of þe chanons), whereof two prestes may
be susteyned. Þerefore of this ouñ ordeynyng trobelers, we
denunce theñ i-cursed; And þ^e conseruatours and keepers, to
haue goddis blessyng and ouñ. Amen.

Confirmation to Oseney, by the diocesan,

of St. George's church and its property, as granted by Henry Doyle I (no. 23),

subject to the life-interests of the Secular Canons in their 'prebends,'

and to the maintenance for ever of a two-priest chantry for Robert Doyle I.

[30.] A confirmacion⁶ of Kyng Ricarde Corpelion of 1189,
þe fredoms of Shires and Hundredes. Nov. 12.

24 RICARDUS, by þe grace of god Kyng of Inglonde, Duke of Normandy and of Gyeñ, and Erle of Aungie, to Archiebispos⁷,
þ, and to Erles Barons Justices Shrefes Mynsters Ballyffys and
to all his true meñ of Inglonde helth. We commaunde þat alle

Confirmation to Oseney, by Richard I,

¹ Read 'de Chesneto,' bishop 1148-66. The error arose from an erroneous addition 'Bluet,' by a later hand, in the endorsement of the original charter, now in Christ Church Treasury.

² Read 'founded': 'fundauerunt.'⁴

³ Marginal note: 'Take hede & be

ware.'

⁴ For this chantry see Wood's *City of Oxford*, ii. 184.

⁵ Interpolated explanation. Not in the Latin.

⁶ Marginal note: 'Ricardus Ius.'

⁷ Sic.

of exemp-
tion from
certain
king's
courts and
taxes, as in
no. 13.

þe londe and meñ of thabbot and chanons of *Oseney* be quite and lose¹ and free² of shires and hundredis and of wardes and commune pleys³ & quarels and all oper þynges, oute-take marther and thefte i-preuede. And we forbede þat vppon þat 4 ye do not to þeñ or to oper⁴ meñ wronge despite or grevaunce or þat 3e suffur to be do theñ of oony meñ. Witnesses⁵, &c⁶.

1199,
June 16.

[31.] A confirmacion of Kyng John of þe church of
Seynte George with his pertinences.

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by king
John,

* leaf 8,
back.

of St.
George's
church
(no. 23),

as in nos.
27, and 28;

JOHN, by þe grace of god Kyng of Inglonde, lorde of Irlonde, Duke of Normandy and of Gien, and Erle of Aungie, to Archie- 8
bisshops bissphos⁶ Abbotes Erles Barons Justices Shreves Revys and to all Baylyffes and to his true meñ helth. Knowe 3e me to haue * i-graunted, and confermed, to þe church of god and of Saynte Marye of *Oseney* and to þabbot and chanons pere 12
seruyng god, for our helth and of oures, in-to perpetuell almes, and for þe sowle of Kyng Henry belesire of my ffadur and for þe sowle of Kyng Henry oure ffadur and of oper kynnesfolkes, þe church of Saynte George þe which is i-set in þe castell of 16
Oxonford, with all his pertinences, þat is to say þe church of Saynte Mary Mawdeien þe which is in þe strete with-oute þe Northgate, and þe londe of Walton⁷ of both sides of þe waye by þe which meñ goth fro Walton to þe castell (as Walter 20
Archedecon hit helde), and þe londe of Cudeslawe, and of Couelay (with þe church), and þe londe of Stowe and of Morton (with þe church and Chapell), And þe londe of Worton, and of Sanforde, and ij. hides of Ernycote, with all other 24
þynges to þe same church perteynyng; In tithis In meñ In howses In londes And Medes and ffedynges In woode In playne, As þe forsaide church held fro þe tyme of þeñ þe which hit foundid and as þe Modur of our ffadur the lady themperice and 28
Kyng Henry our ffadur hit to þeñ graunted and with his charter confermed. Wherefore we wilf and Surely commaunde þat þe forsaide church and Chanons þe forsaide holdes⁸ have

¹ 'soluti.'

² Marginal note: 'A grete fredome.'

³ 'placitis.'

⁴ Read 'þer': 'suis.'

⁵ William of Longchamp, Chancellor,

Nov. 12, at Westminster. The year is not given.

⁶ *Sic.*

⁷ Marginal note: 'Walton.'

⁸ 'predictas tenaturas.'

and holde, weſt and In pece and worchipfully, frely and quietly,
with¹ ſock and ſack, tol and theam, and Infangenthefe, and
with all other liberteyſ and cuſtoms þe which þey had in þe
4 tyme of Henry beelsire of our fadur and in þe tyme of Kyng
Henry our fadur. Witnesses, &c². At² london.

with ex-
emptions
as
in no. 13.

[32.] A confirmacion of Kyng³ Henry þe iiij. of the 1235,
liberteis and of þ^e church of Seynte George and April 2.
oper thynges.

HENRY, by þe grace of god Kyng of Inglonde, lorde of
Irlonde, &c². Knowe 3e me to haue, for god ſake, i-graunted⁴
8 and with this our Charter confermed, for vs and our heyres, to
god and to þe church of Saynte Marye of Osneye and to þabbot
and chanons in þe ſame place ſeruyng god, all or⁴ yifteſ
yevynges vndur-write, þat is to ſay, of þe 3eſte of Robert
12 Doylly, the Ile of Osneye, with all his pertinences, and all men
and londes þe which he had in his lordſhip within þe borowgh
of Oxonforde, with his pertinences; of þe yiſte of Henry Doylly,
þe church of Saynte George the which is i-ſette in the caſteſt
16 of oxonford; with all thynges þe which been of his fee, þe which
to þe ſame church perteynen; of þe 3eſte of Maſter Geffrey
Gibwynd, all his londe in þe town of Mersche, with all his
pertenences: to be had and to be holde, to þe ſame Abbot and
20 chanons and to here ſuccessours, in-to perpetueſt almes. And
þat þey haue and holde þe fredoms þe which Henry the Kyng
of Inglonde beelsire of Kyng Henry our beelsire, And alſo þe
ſame Henry Kyng, graunted to þen by his Charters, that is to
24 ſay, þat þey and all here tenementes and here men been quite⁵
of Shires and hundredes and wardes and danezeldes and
commune pleis and all oper exaccions and quarels, outetake
murtheſ & theſte i-preued; with ſock and ſack, tol and them,
28 and Infangenthefe, as þe chartors [⁶ of the] aforeſaide Kynges
of Inglonde our predeceſſours and of oper yevers aforeſaide,
[þe⁶ which þe aforeſaide abbot and chanons haue of them, in]

Confirma-
tion to
Osenev, by
Henry III,

of no. 12,

of no. 23,

and of
land,
newly ac-
quired,
in Maſh
Gibbon:
alſo con-
firmation
of exemp-
tions,

and of juris-
diction,

as in no. 13.

¹ Marginal note: 'Lybertyes.'

² Read 'W. London., G. Roffense, epi-
ſcopis,' &c. The place is Hadloo. The
Latin gives the date.

³ For Henry 'III': ſee note to no. 33.

⁴ Sic, probably for 'all þ^e yifteſ or yev-

yngeſ.' Latin is 'omnes donationes ſub-
ſcriptas.'

⁵ Marginal note: 'Note the fredoms
of this Monasteri.'

⁶ Added from the Latin.

* leaf 9.

þe which þe forsaide yevynges fredoms and¹ quitynges fully ben conteyned², resonably witnyssed. * Wherefore we wiff and³ surely commaunde, for vs and⁴ our heyres, that þe forsaide Abbot & chanons and⁵ þer successours foreuer haue and⁶ holde and⁷ þe forsaide londis and⁸ þe forsaide tenementes with all here pertences, and⁹ that they haue þe forsaide fredoms and¹⁰ quitynges² well and¹¹ In peee, frely and¹² quietly, fully and¹³ worschipfully, in-to perpetueff almes, with all fredoms and¹⁴ fre customs s to them¹⁵ perteynyng as hit is i-saide before. These³ witnessses, &c⁵.

126^c,
Jan. 23.

[33.] Grauntyng and confermyng beste⁴ of Kyng⁵ Henry the iiij. not Derby, vppon þe grete charter⁶ and oþer ffredoms.

Henry III,

HENRY, by the grace of god Kyng of Inglonde, lorde of Irlande, and Duke of Gyeñ, to Archiebissshops Bisshops Abbotes¹² priors Erles Barons Justices Shreves Revys Minsters & to all Bayleffes and¹³ to his true meñ helth. We have i-see þe charter þe which sometyme Robert Doylly maade to god and¹⁴ to saynte Marye and¹⁵ to þe chanoñs of Oseney In thes wordes:

recites
no. 21,viz. Robert
Doyly IP's
pretended
grant to
Oseney,

Be hit i-know to all cristen meñ that I, Robert Doylly, willyng and¹ grauntyng Edithe my wiffe and² my soones Henry and³ Gilbert, yeve and⁴ graunt, in-to pure & perpetueff Almes, to þe church of god and⁵ of saynte marye his modur and⁶ to þe chanons regulers in hit seruyng god þe which I (counsellyng and⁷ confermyng Robert by the grace of god⁸ Bisshop of lincoln) foundid⁹ in þe Ile þe which is i-called¹⁰ Oseney, for þe helth of þe Kyng and¹¹ þe welth of all þe Reame and¹² also for my helth and¹³ of my wiffe and¹⁴ of my soones, of kynnesfolkes, and¹⁵ of our frendes, all that is myne In the forsaide Ile, with all dwellynges þe which I had vppon þe were the which is of myne Milles,

of Oseney
island, &c.

¹ By a slip for 'all': 'omnes predictas terras.'

² 'quietancias.'

³ The Latin supplies the date.

⁴ Latin order: 'confirmacio optima.'

⁵ This frequently repeated reckoning of Henry, King of England 1216-72, as Henry 'IV,' comes from taking into the list as Henry 'III,' Henry (eldest son of Henry II), crowned at Westminster 1170, died 1183. The words 'not Derby' show

that the translator adequately distinguished the grantor of this charter from Henry, King of England 1399-1413 (Henry IV), who was styled 'earl of Derby' from 1380, during the lifetime of his father John 'of Gaunt,' Duke of Lancaster, who had married the heiress of Henry Plantagenet (died 1361), Earl of Derby.

⁶ i.e. the spurious no. 21, invented after 1235 (no. 32), and now, 1267, accepted as genuine. See no. 38.

and all that I hadd in the Borowghe of Oxonforde or in þe Subarbes, and þe church of seynte George the which is i-set in the castell of oxonforde, with all churches and chapels, londes

and of St. George's church,

4 Rentes tenementes tithis and possessions and oper thynges to þe saide church of saynte George perteynyng, þat is to say, the church of saynte Marye Mawdefen þe which is i-set in þe subarbes of oxonforde, and oper thynges as þey ben i-conteyned in the saide charter of Robert Doylly, the which is þe first of this title: and pese witnesses.

Addicion of the Kyng to þe forsaide thynges, saying: We truly þe forsaide yevyng, and grauntyng hauyng ferme and

and confirms it.

12 lefe¹, them, for vs and our heyres, [² grant, and confirm . . .

Besides, we have granted for us and our heyres] to god and seynte Marye of Oseney and to þabbot and chanons pere seruyng god and for euer to serue, that þey as to alle here

16 demaynys londes³ and tenementes be quite for euer of all maner sutes of Shires and Hundredes and of our oper courtes, and that thabbot aforesaide and [his] successours be quite⁴ for euer fro lawe day⁵ in euery place in oure reame, And

He also confirms exemptions as in no. 13. Grant of exemption from view of frankpledge and sheriff's tourns throughout England;

20 also of turnys of schreuy, [⁶ whether by our sheriffs] or by our bayllyffes, in what-so-euer places þey be holde. We haue i-grauntid also, for vs and our eyres, to þabbot and chanons aforesaide that they foreuer, of here wodes⁷ beyng

24 within þe bondes⁸ of our forest in þe shire of oxonforde and of Buckynham, frely and with-oute vywe and Deliueryng and daunger of þe forsters or verders or of our ony oper Baylyffes, maye take and carye here storys⁹, with-oute

and of freedom of their woods, if within the royal forests, from control of the foresters,

28 occasion and lette, with-oute waste or destruccion or copies¹⁰ therof to be i-made, so that if wast¹⁰ or Destruccion perof þey make by sellyng, or in oper-wise, therof they be i-punysshed after passise of our forest, savyng napeles to thabbot and to þe

subject only to making good wilful 'waste' by sentence of the assise of the forest.

32 forsaide chanons, in all and þorowgh all, pere fredoms^{*} þe

* leaf 9, back.

¹ 'ratas habentes et gratas.'

² Added from the Latin.

³ 'quoad omnes dominicas terras.'

⁴ Marginal notes: 'Nota well this priuelege.' 'Nota for þ^e lawe day quite thorowgh þ^e Reame.' The part of the charter from this point to the foot of the page is emphasized by a marginal line, and outside it 'nota.'

⁵ 'de visu franci plegii.'

⁶ Added from the Latin.

⁷ Marginal note: 'Nota freedom of þ^e forest.'

⁸ 'infra metas.'

⁹ 'estovers': 'estoveria.'

¹⁰ Read 'coppice'; i. e. disforesting the ground. Latin: 'absque vasto seu destructione vel assartis inde faciendis.'

Confirmation of their forest rights in Hildesden, Forest-hill, and Stowe, Oxon.

which þey haue by the charter of worthy remembraunce of lorde John sumtyme Kyng of Inglonde oure fadur, of þere wodes¹ of Hildesden in the forsaide shire, and sauynge to þeim here parkes and groves of fforsthuff² and stow² i-closed, with ffreedom and⁴ quietyng the which in þe same hiderto þey haue i-woned to haue. These witnesses &c³. þe date, þ.

About 1150.

[34.] A confirmation of Theobalde Archiebisshop of Caunterbury of all owre Goodes.

Confirmation to Oseneby, by archbishop Theobald,

of all their estates, present and to be acquired.

Anathema against injurers.

THEOBALDE, By the grace of god Archiebisshop of Caunterbery, and of all Inglonde primate, & popis legate, to broður Wigooode prior of Osney helth, þ. To ryghtfull petitioners þ. we geuyng assent, all churchis and londes and tithis and howse rentes³ and all thynges þe which the church of Saynte Marye, to þe which þou art hede (by the help of god), lawfully hath¹² i-purchased⁴, or in tyme to be by ryghtfull wysys⁵ may be i-purchased, with this present writyng we conferme hit, and by the autorite of þe office that we haue we make hit strong, pluckers away of them, and pullers⁶, afore þe sete of þe euer-¹⁶ lastyng Jugge to be i-dampned we denunce, and fro this present churche we sequestre them but þey leue and with meke satisfaction cristes patrimonye be besy to reforme hit; and to þe keepers peece be of oure lorde Ihesu criste þe which when he was²⁰ riche for vs was i-made powre pat he wolde make vs riche whitth his pouerte and wolde hele with his infirmite⁷.

About 1163.

Confirmation to Oseneby, by archbishop Thomas Becket,

[35.] THOMAS, By the grace of god Archiebisshop of Caunterbery, and of all Inglonde primate, and popis legate, to all²⁴ true men of oure holy modur the church þorowgh Inglonde beyng, both now and to be, both clerkes and laye men, helth and blessyng. Of the office i-committid to vs, to þe petitions which we knowe to perteyne to þe Encresyng of religion, lyght²⁸

¹ Marginal note: 'Nota Hildesden by Kyng John charter afore.' Hildesden was in Forest-hill parish, but held of the royal manor of Brill, Bucks (*Rotul. Hundred.* i. 22, col. 1).

² Names noted in the margin.

³ 'domorum redditus.'

⁴ 'adepta est.'

⁵ 'iustis modis.'

⁶ 'et distractores.'

⁷ The general absence of rubrics from this point indicates that the treatise was never brought to a conclusion.

⁸ 'Admonemur . . . facilem ac benignum prebere assensum.' Notice how the slavish following of the Latin order darkens the English. 'We be "constered" . . . to grant light and benign assent' is meant.

and benynge to graunt assent we ben constered. Wherefore of
our most dere soonys (chanons, that is to say, of Seynte marye
of Oseney) we¹ grauntyng to þere meke axinges, graunte, and²
4 with this present writyng in-to perpetuell almes conferme, to
them and to þe monasterj, in the which þey ben i-geve to goddis
service, the church of Seynte George þe which is i-sett in the
castell of oxonforde, with all tenauntries and possessions and³
8 with all thynges to þe same church perteynynge, In tithis In
londis In men In fredoms and in all other rentes, as our
worschipfull broþer [Robert²] bisshop of lincoln to þem grauntid,
with þe wilfull³ consent of þe Kyng and of the Aduocates of
12 the same church, and with his charter confermed, þe which with
our hys we saw, and as his charter witnessith. Of this our
confirmacion trowblers we denunce the peref of dampnacion to
be wy3the them, And to the kepers of hit goddis blesshyng and
16 our haue. flare ye well.

of St.
George's
church
and its
property,
as in no. 26.

Anathema
against
violators.

[36.] THOMAS⁴, By the grace of god Archiebisshop of Cauntur-
bury, of all Inglonde primate, and popes legate, to all Bisshops
Archedecons and prestis, In whoos powre and parish been tithis
20 to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseney perteynynge, helth.
Owre mooste dere soonys chanons of Oseneye have i-playned to
vs summe tithis to the ryght of þere church longyng, agaynste
ry3ght, of summe men to be with-holde. therefore be this wry*tyng
24 we chargh þow that 3e call them streytly þe which holde
the ry3ght of the forsaide church and ster⁵ them that þey hooly
restore þem. And if they will not restore, restreynce ye þe
same fro the brynkes [or] bondis⁶ of þe church⁷. flare 3e well.

About
1155?
Letter of
archbishop
Theobald,

ordering
due pay-
ment of
tithes to
Oseney,
* leaf 10.
on pain of
excommu-
nica-
tion.

28 [37.] To all cristen men to þe which this present wrytyng
shall come, Hugh⁸, By the grace of god Bisshop of lincoln, helth

About
1195.

¹ 'piis postulationibus annuentes.'

² Added from the Latin.

³ 'unanimi consensu.'

⁴ Marginal note: 'Nota and marke this letter & execute hit.' The beginning in the Latin is 'T. dei gracia': the endorsement was originally 'T. Cantuariensis,' but a later hand prefixed 'Sci.' The Rubric in the Latin takes up the error: 'Item littera eiusdem Sancti Thome.' The original deed in Christ Church Treasury

has preserved its seal, which is that of Theobald. I owe all this information to the Rev. H. Salter.

⁵ 'admoneatis.'

⁶ 'brinks or bounds' is the usual alternative rendering of one Latin word: 'a limitibus sancte ecclesie.'

⁷ MS. repeats 'of þe church.'

⁸ 'Confirmatio sancti Hugonis' in the Latin.

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
the bishop
of Lincoln,
the diocce-
san,

of their
property,
especially
their
churches,

viz. five of
the foun-
der's gift
(no. 12);

also of
St. George's
(no. 23);

St. Mary
Magdalene;
Stowe;
Cowley;
Iffley;

Watling-
ton;

Stone, with
Southcote;

and goddis blessing. Petitions, þ. ffor this cawse, of ouȝt
most dere brethryñ, Abbot and chanon̄s of the church of seynte
Marye of Oseney, we to þere ryȝhtfull axinges grauntyng¹,
þeñ and þere monastery in the which þey ten i-ȝefe to goddis 4
seruice vndur the proteccion of god and of the holy church of
lincoln and ouȝt we take: possessions also and rentes, and namely²
churchys or chapells with vicarages [and tithes³] and other
thynges to theñ perteynynge þe which in þe bisshopric of 8
lincoln þe same brethryñ resonably haue i-purchasyd, to theñ
By the auctorite that we haue [we] conferme. In the which,
þese to be i-schewed in there owne names wec⁴ have a-vised:—

Of the yfte of Robert Doylly of the forsaide monastery fundat¹²
and also off Henry Doylly the fiȝste and of Henry Doylly and
Robert the soones of hyñ, the churches⁵ of Cudelynton, of
Weston, of Cleydon, of Hokenorton, of chesterton;

Also of Henry Doylly the fiȝste and of Henry and Robert 16
the soonys of hyñ and also of the yfte of John of Seynte John
and of Bernarde of Seynte Walerye and of Bernarde his soone
and principally of Moolde themperice and of here soone Kyng
Henry þe secunde, the church of Seynte George þe which is 20
i-sett in the castell of oxonforde, with the church of Seynte
Marye Mawdeſen, and the churchis of stowe, of Coveleye, and
Iuteleye⁶, and with all oper to þe church of seynte george
pertinences, sauynge the composicioñ i-maade bytwene the church 24
of Oseney and Robert of Seynte Remye vppon the church of
Iuteleye⁶ the which for-asmuch that we wille hit to be Sure
with this writynge we conferme hit.

Also of the yfte of Henry Doylly the fiȝst and of Henry and 28
Robert his soonys and also of the yfte of Halinalde of Bidun
and of William Paganet and sare his wiffe, the church of
Watlynton;

Of þe yfte of William Bracy and of gilbert his soone, the 32
church of Stanes, with the chapell of Sutlicote;

¹ 'graunting' = assenting: 'annuenter.'

² 'precipue.'

³ Added from the Latin.

⁴ 'duximus.'

⁵ The names of 18 churches and chapels
are noted in the margin, in the same order
as in the text, 'Iveteleye' being left out.

⁶ In the English MS. the first letter or
letters of this name are vaguely formed,
and might be either Ine or Me, as though
the writer felt doubtful of the name. In
the Latin it is 'Iutele,' i.e. Iffley (Ifteley
or Yefteley).

Of the yifte of [Hugh of] Tywe, the chapel of fforsthull, Forest-hill; sayung þ^e composicion ¹ i-maade Bitwene the church of Oseney and the church of seynte frideswith vpon the same chapel;

4 Of the yifte of William fyȝht Elie and of Emme his wiffe and of William þere soone, the church of Waterperye; Water-perry;

Of the yifte of Robert Gayti, þe church of Hampton gayte; Hampton Gay;

Of the yifte of Roger of seynte John and of William his 8 broþer, þe church of Barton, with the chapel of Saunforde and of ledewell; Barton, with Sandford St. Martin and Ledwell;

And of þ^e yifte of Raph Murdac and Hugh of Burton, þe chapel of Burton. Black-bourton.

12 þerfore we wille and sadly ² ordeyne that now the seyde church and Brethrynd of Oseney all the fornamed thynges frely and holy foreuer have and be possessed, sayung the bisshopis customs and the Digniteis of the church of lincoln. And that 16 this ou^r confermyng, ³

[38.] To all soones of ou^r hooly modu^r the church to þ^e which 1250, this present writyng schall come, ⁴ Richard ⁵, by the Mercy June 23. of god Bisshop of lincoln, euerlastyng helth in ou^r lorde. Confirmation to Oseney, by the diocesan, 20 Knowe 3e all þat we, of the consent and wilþ of ou^r loued soone, Robert ⁴, Deen, and of the chapter of lin*coln, for goddis sake, we graunte, and By the bisshops auctorite we conferme, to the church of seynte Marye of Oseney and to the chanon^s there * leaf 10, back. 24 seruyng god, the church of seynte George þe which is i-sett in of St. George's church; the castell of oxonford, with all his Integrite or holenysse, and with all his pertinences and particlis in the seyde diocese beyng or i-sett, In tithis Rentis londis and þere possessions and in all 28 oper thynges and places to the same sayde church perteynyng, in-to þere owne vsys for euer to be had and to be possessed and ⁵ to be conuertid or turnyd: In the which, þese in here ownd names we wilþ expresse, that is to say, the church of seynte 32 Marye Mawdefen þe which is i-sett in the strete withoute þe St. Mary Magdalene.

¹ See the Latin text in Wigram's *Cartulary of St. Frideswide's*, ii. 199.

² 'firmiter.'

³ Richard of Gravesend, bishop of Lincoln 1258-81. This confirmation appears to be one of the deeds which were used in the fabrication of no. 21. It brings in

tithe of a hide in Cassington, not hitherto mentioned.

⁴ Robert de Mariscis, dean of Lincoln 1258-60.

⁵ Alternative rendering: 'et convertenda.'

Northgate of Oxonforde, and iij. hides of londe of Waltoñ, with þe tithis of the same londe; and the londe of Cudeslawe; and the londe of Coveley, with the church; and the londe of stowe, with the church; and ij. hides of Mortoñ; and the londe of 4 Wortoñ; and j. hide of Sannforde; and ij. hides of Ernycote; and j. 3erde of londe in Hokenortoñ; and ij. parties of tithe of all thyng þe which is wonyd to be tithid in the demayne of these maners, that is to say, of Berencester, Erdyntoñ, Beter- 8 inton, Tenesse, Periet¹, Tywe, Wyke, Erdusfley, Heyforde, Thrope, Bereforde, Shireburn of Eyper courte, Withhuff, Thornetoñ, Kencote, Nortoñ, Horspathe, Hensyntoñ, Iudwell, Rodelsham of eyper courte, Blechesdoñ, Westoñ, Buckenhuff, 12 Stratforde, Westbury, Thorneborowgh, Westoñ by Ciltre, Wygyn- toñ, Swereforde, Goryng, Estcote of the fee that longeth to þe castell of oxonford, leges, Shaldestoñ, Elsfelde, Herdewyke, Turesmeñ, Craneforde, Tynforde, Tretoñ, Euere, Radeliue, 16 Bampton, Haurugge, Colestoñ, Messeworth, Clopham, Duke- lyntoñ; In Wolgarcote all the tithe of the demayne; In bekeley, ij. parties of tithe of all þe towne; in Garsyntoñ², tithe of j. hide; In Baldyntoñ, tithe of iij. hides; In Acle, tithe of all 20 the towñ: therefore we wiff and sadly charge or ordeyne þat now þe saide church and chanonñ i-myndid of Oseney all the fornamed thynges, of our grauntyng and confirmacioñ and speciall grace, frely and hooly, in-to here owne vses haue and 24 possesse, savyng in all thynges þe Bisshops customs and the dignite of þe church of lincoln. In-to witnenysse of þe which pyngge, to this present wrytyng our seele, to-geder with þe seele off our Chapter of the church of lincoln, we haue i-maade to be 28 put to. Þe Date ix. kk. Julij In þe 3ere of our lorde M^c CC lix. and In þe ffirste 3ere of our Bisshiphode.

About
1140.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
Robert
Doyly II,

[39.] KNOW all Cristen men that I, Robert Doyly³, haue grauntid, and with this present charter confermed, for me and 32 myne heyres, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanonñ there seruyng god foreuer, for my helth and of Edithe my wiffe, kynnesfolkes⁴, and of my firendes,

¹ 'Tenyeth,' in no. 21.

² 'Karsintona' in the Latin; i. e. Cas-
sington.

³ Name noted in margin.

⁴ 'et parentum.'

in-to free pure et perpetueñ almes, all londres Rentes tithes
tenementes and^r possessionñ, both of þe church and^r of þe
layse¹, þe which þey haue of my yifte and^r of þe yiftes of my
4 meñ, and which of me or my heyres and^r of my meñ þey
may gete in tyme to be, in all my maners, with all liberteis
and^r fre customs þe which euer I have i-hadde, or ony of
my aunceturs, or in tyme to be [I] maye² gete or my heyres
8 maye gete.

the founder,
of all property
acquired from
himself or his
tenants,

with all per-
quisites ;

And I have i-grauntid^r also to þe same chanonñ and^r to
þere successours, for me and^r for my heyres, that þey haue
þere * courte foreuer fre³ in all my maners of all þere meñ
12 for all mysdoynge or defawtes wheresoeuer and^r whansoeuer
and⁴ of what-soeuer þey happe ; and þat þey and^r there meñ
be quite foreuer fro all maner sutes of my courte foreuer
fre in all my maners and^r of my heyres, and^r of lawday, and^r
16 of such thynges þe which longen to vywe or lawday, and^r
of all sutes of my mylles, and^r of all helpis tallages exaccions
quarels or playntes and^r demaundis ; and^r if⁵ for fleyng or
felonye oony of there meñ ofte to lese his catell, þey shaft
20 be of the chanonñ, withoute oony withholdyng to me or to
my heyres ; And if bestes or catañ in londis or tenementes
of the same chanonñ or of there meñ tenauntes⁶ be i-founde
or arestid, I graunt, for me and^r my heyres, to þem and^r to
24 þere successours what-soeuer⁷ thyng þerof to me or to
oony of myne by lawe maye falle or shaft⁸ mowe foreuer ;
Also if they or oony of þer meñ be⁹ amercyd^d agaynste me
or my heyres or my Baylyffes or my meñ, for what-soeuer
28 cause or trespass or forfete, all þe mercys and^r merciamentes
and^r all fines and^r all profites and^r all owtynge of pleyþe þe which
come forth of theñd or þere meñ shaft be of þe same chanonñ,
withoute oony withholdyng to me or to my heyres, wheþer
32 hit be for a defawte or for oony oþer cawse. I have

and grant of
exemptions
from hisfeudal
* leaf 11.

superiority,
viz. right to
hold court for
their own
tenants,
free of suit to
Doyle court-
baron or Doyle
view of frank-
pledge, or
Doyle mills or
Doyle feudal
claims ;
right to felon's
goods of their
own tenants ;
right to such
escheats of
their property
as fall to the
Doyleys as lords
of the manor ;

right to fines
imposed on
their tenants ;

¹ 'layfee' (i.e. lay fee) in the recitation
in no. 93 : 'tam laicas quam ecclesiasticas' ;
i. e. temporal and spiritual.

² 'perquirere potero.'

³ Marginal note : 'liberties.'

⁴ 'et undecunque euerint.'

⁵ Marginal note : 'bona felonum.'

⁶ 'vel eorum tenencium.'

⁷ Marginal note : 'escaeta.'

⁸ 'vel poterit in perpetuum.'

⁹ Marginal note : 'amerciamenta &
fines.' The distinction, a vague one, be-
tween these was, that 'amercements' were
penalties imposed by the judgement of the
assessors where there was no fixed penalty ;
'fines' were penalties where statute or cus-
tom fixed the amount. This deed seems
one of those used in fabricating no. 21.

exemption
of Oseney
and Oseney
tenants
from forced
labours, or
imprison-
ment;
grants of
fishery
and pan-
nage rights,
except in
enclosed
fish-ponds
and parks;
of common
pasture;
of right to
take out
of pound,
on giving
surety,
cattle im-
pounded,
and to
make good
the damage
by private
treaty;
of wood
to repair
houses
and fences,
and for
fuel;

of right to
choose
their own
head, and
to appoint
and dismiss
all their
stewards.

i-grauntid also to þe same chanon̄s, and to þere successours, þat noþer I noþer my heyres noþer none in owre name or¹ of owre maye here-after axe of the forsaide chanon̄s or þere succes- sours or þere meñ oony custoñd or service or bondage, noþer² 4 [þere] meñ in-to prison̄ or in-to bondis or in-to stokke putte for oony trespace or forfeite, but with open̄ theste or mansslautter vppoñ my demayne londis they be take and attachid. I wiñ also, and surely commaunde, for me and my heyres, þat þe for- 8 saide chanons and þere successours and þere meñ haue weñ and in peece³, in all my maners wodis and waters pondis and ffischynges, fre ffisshyng, and fre entrye and goyng oute and pannage of þere hogges quyte, outetake stywys and my parkes 12 closid in. And that þey haue fre commune to þere shepe and hogges and to all other bestes in all my maners in⁴ wodis, and that þey be not Inparkid or pownyd but þey be i-founde in open̄ harme; And if that happe, by borowgh þey receyue here 16 bestes, and after by þe syght of lawfull meñ þe harme that þere bestes haue i-doo, oute of my courte, þey make hit to be amendid. To þese thynges we haue i-grauntid for me and my heyres howsebote and haybote and to be brenned resonably at 20 here graunges, of my wodis⁵ in there places where I have wodis. Also I wiñ and graunte, for me and my heyres foreuer, that þe saide chanons and successours mowe chese to þeñ and ordeyne⁶ a prelate to þere wiñ, after þe decese of euery prelate, withoute 24 lette of me or of my heyres; And þat þey maye putte, haue, and putt away, in all here granges and pynges, kep̄ers suche as semyeth to þeñ and to þere howse to be goode⁷. And þat þis my yifte graunt and confirmacion of this charter be stable and 28 sure foreuer, To this writyng my seele I haue i-putte to. These witnesses⁸ &c⁹.

About
1200.
Confirm-
ation to

[40.] BE hit i-know to all cristen meñ both present and to be that I, Henry Doylly⁹ þe soone of Henry Doylly, my lorde þe 32 Kynges constable, haue i-grauntid, and with this present charter

¹ 'vel ex nostris.'

² Marginal note: 'not to imprison any man except for open theft or manslaughter.'

³ Marginal note: 'Nota freedom grete: fre fishings (commune).'

⁴ Read 'and': 'et boscis meis.'

⁵ Marginal note: 'Nota: Marke well.'

⁶ Marginal note: 'Nota this grete priuelege.'

⁷ 'expedire.'

⁸ Enumerated in the recitation, no. 93.

⁹ Marginal note: 'Henry Doylly 2.'

have i-confermed, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of
 Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, for my helth and
 of Sibille my wiffe and of Moolde my dowȝhter and for þe sowles
 4 of my fadur and modur and for þe sowle of my broþer Robert
 Doylly and for þe sowles of all my aunceturs, in-to free and
 perpetueſt almys, all þe possessionȝ of þe church and layfee þe
 which þey haue * of þe ȝiftes of myne aunceturs and of my ȝifte
 8 and of þe ȝiftes of my meñ, as þe charters of them witnyſſe,
 with all fredomȝ and fre customs and quytynges. I haue i-
 grauntid also to þe forsaide chanonȝ that þey haue þere courte
 of þere meñ where-euer they wiſt; and I haue releſed and quyte-
 12 claymed þe meñ for euer, both Abbot and þe Couent of Oseneye
 and þere meñ, in all my maners fro þe sute of my courte, and
 fro sute of my Milles, and of all oper sutes, but of these were¹
 lyfe and membre lyith to², And to þe lawday; so napeles þat
 16 all mercys and mercementes and all fines and all profites and all
 goynges oute of pleis þe which come of þere meñ, vppon Euery
 side and whenne-soeuer and wheresoeuer þey falle, schall be of
 þe forsaide chanonȝ, withoute oony withholdyng, opere hit be
 20 for defawte or for [any other³] cawse; and if oony of þere meñ
 for oony forfete hath i-flowe⁴ and to ryȝht he wille not stande,
 and þe forfete be such for þe which his catell he ofte to lese,
 þey shall be fully of þe chanonȝ. Also I haue i-grauntid⁵ to þe
 24 forsaide chanons, for me and myne heyres, that noþer I, noþer
 my heyres, noþer none of our, maye hereforth or hereafter axe of
 þe forsaide chanonȝ, noþer of þere meñ, oony custom or seruice
 or bondage, noþer þere meñ to put in-to prison or bondis or in-
 28 to stocke, but þe forfete be such for þe which he ofte to lese lyfe
 or membre. I wiſt also and surely charge that þe forsaide
 chanonȝ and þere meñ have well and in pece in all my maners
 here pasture to þere bestes and to þere shepe and hogges, as þe
 32 charters of my aunceturs and myne witnyſſe; and that þey be
 not Inparked or pynnyd, but þey be founde in harmyng, Where
 (A⁶ wodde I-ȝefe) þey may receyue þere cataſſ, and after⁷ þe
 lawe of þe contree for þe harme satisfye. I haue i-graunted to
 36 þe meñ also (þat is to say, to þe forsaide chanonȝ) that þey maye

Oseney,
 by Henry
 Doyly II,

* leaf 11,
 back.
 of all
 grants
 made by
 his ances-
 tors and
 histenants;
 and of the
 privileges
 and exemp-
 tions con-
 ferred in
 no. 39.

¹ 'ubi.'

² 'adiacet.'

⁵ Marginal note: 'liberties.'

³ Added from the Latin.

⁶ i.e. a surety being given.

⁴ 'fugerit.'

⁷ 'secundum legem provincie.'

ffirely putte, and haue, and putte aweye, in all pere pynges or goodis, the keepers such as pey know not¹ to be goode to peim and to pere howse, & pat bis my zifte, &c^o.

1152.

Confirmation to Oseney, by pope Eugenius III,

of all their estates,

viz. of St. George's church and its belongings as in nos. 29 and 34, and a grant incorporated in the spurious no. 21,

[41.] EUGENYE, Bisshop, *seruaunte of seruauntes* of god, 4 to his loued soonys Wigode prior of seynte Marye of Oseney and to his brethren, both present And to be, chanon^s, &c. the forsaide church, in pe which 3e ten i-zeffe to goddis *seruice*, vndur seynte petur & our proteccion we take, and with 3e priuilege of 8 this present writyng we make stronge, ordenyng pat all possession^s and all goodis of² 3e same church nowe ry3ghtfully and lawfully hath in possession, or in tyme to be by 3e graunte of Bisshopis, 3evyng of Kynges or of princys, by offiryng of 12 cristen meñ, or by oper ry3ghtfull maners (our lorde grauntynge) ye may purchase, sure to 3ow and to 3ow^r successours and vntastid³ byde pey. In the which, pese we wille in pere owne names to be schewed:—the church of Seynte George, with 16 all his ry3ght that he hath within 3e waif of Oxonforde and abowte, as ow^r worschipfull proper Robert, Bisshop of lincoln, with resonable avise hath i-grauntid yow, and bope he and our worschipfull fadur Theobalde, Archiebisshop of Caunturberye, 20 popis legate, with passfermyng of pere writynges haue i-made stronge; and, to 3e same church longyng and hangyng, 3e church of Seynte Marye Mawdeleyñ, 3e londe of Walton, with 3e medys and other pynges longyng to hit, and 3e tithe of 24 3e same londe; In Cudeslawe, iij. hides of londe, with meñ and his opere pertinences; In Ernycote, ij. hides of londe, with 3e woode and his opere pertinences; 3e londe of Worton, with his pertinences; 3e londe of Stowe, with his pertinences, and 28 3e church of 3e same towne; In sanforde, j. hide of londe, with his pertinences; Twey * parties of tithys of pese maners vndurwrite, Hokenorton, Cudelynton, Burcetur, Harewell, Watlynton, Ardynton, Botrynton, Idecumbe, Burton, Asshe, pirye, Tywe, 32 Wyke, Erdusley, Heyforde, Hampton gaytorum, flullewell, Thrope, Bereforde, Shireburñ of both courtis, Tetteburye, Whithuff, Treton, Kenycote, Norton, Horspathe, Hensynton,

* leaf 12.

¹ 'quales sibi et domui sue noverint expedit.' The translator, thinking of dismissal for incompetence, inserts the nega-

tive.

² For 'of' read 'which.'

³ 'illibata.'

ludwell, Rolesham of both courtes, Blechesdoñ, Westoñ, Bokenhult, Stratforde, Westbury, Thornborowgh, Westoñ, Wygyntoñ, Swerforde, Escote of þe fe þe which perteyneth to oxonforde;

4 In clopham halfe of þe tithe of þe Demayne; In Bartoñ, þe tithe of j. hide; In Garsyntoñ¹, ij. parties of þe tithe of j. hide.

with tithe
in Cassing-
ton,

furþermoꝛ, of ouꝛ worschipfull broþer John² bisshop of Wyrceþur, the church of Bibury³, with chapells, tithis and oþer

8 pertinences, and þe tithe of here salte of þe Wyche⁴; þe church of turkeden; the church of Rysynden; þe church of Messewurth; þe church of Haurugge; þe church of ledecumbe; þe church of fforsthull, with his pertinences; of þe yifte of

and of the
churches of
Bibury,
Turkdean,
Rissington,
Marsworth,
Hawridge,
Letcombe,
Foresthill;
and of
lands in
Black-
bourton.

12 Hugh Tywe, his londis of Burtoñ⁵.

ffor this we decree that hit be not lawfull to no mañ vtterly⁶ frowardly to trobut þe forsaide church, or his possessions to take awaye, or to withholde them i-take awaye, to make þeñ

16 lasse, or to very þeñ with oony vexacions, but that þey all clenly and hooly be keped for þe gouernynge And susteynyng of þeñ of þe which þey haue be grauntid to profite in all maner vays, Sauyng þe lawfull ryȝht of the Bisshopis Diocesany.

20 Þerfore if oony persone of the church or secular this writyng of ouꝛ confirmacion wilt tempte frowardly to come agaynste hit, twyis or thryis i-warned, but he correcte his presumption with conuenient satisfaccion, he lacke or lese the dignite of his power

Anathema
against
violators of
this deed.

24 and worschip, and lete hym know hym-selfe gilty to be to goddis Juggement of his wikudnesse i-do, and that he is alienyd or i-put fro the mooste holy body and bloode of god and of ouꝛ lorde Ihu criste ouꝛ agayne-byere Ihu criste, and be he vnduꝛ to

28 þe streyte veniaunce in the laste doome. And to all kepyng to þe same place þere ryȝhtes be peece of ouꝛ lorde Ihu criste, that both here þe frute off goode doying þey take, and afore þe streyte Jugge þe rewardis of euerlastyng life fynde þey.

32 Amen. In the yere of ouꝛ lorde M^t Clj. of the Bisshiphode of pope Eugenyne the iij., vij. ȝere.

¹ 'In Kersintona' in the Latin; i. e. Cassington.

² John de Pageham, bishop of Worcester 1150-57.

³ Name noted in margin.

⁴ Marginal note: 'tithe of salt of Wyche.'

⁵ Name noted in margin. The Latin

adds: 'and of Forsthull with their pertinences.' Burton is Blackbourton. Wood's conjecture (*City of Oxford*, ii. 191) is wrong.

⁶ 'ut nulli omnino hominum liceat.' The double negative is a feature of this translation.

About
1192?

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
Thomas of
St. Valerie,

of all
grants
made of
his fee,

with ex-
emption
from scu-
tage.

[42.] Thomas of saint Walerys confirmacion.

Know þey that beñ present and to be that I, Thomas of Seynte Walerye, by the counsell and peticion of Ele my wiffe and of goode meñ, haue i-grauntid [and] confermyd, for my helth and of myne and for the sowles of my aunceturs and of my 4 Brethryñ, to þe church of seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanonñ *pere* seruyng god, all the possessions of my fee to þe church of Seynte George þe which in the castell of Oxonforde is i-sett *per*teynung, both of my lordshippis and of my tenaun- 8 tries of my meñ, In meñ In londis and tithys and in all *oper* thynges: to be holde, in-to fre and pure and *perpetuell* almys. And I wilñ and commaunde that þe londis of them þe which 1 beñ of my fee be lose and quite fro scuage, tallage, & all *oper* 12 *seculer* exaccions to me *per*teynung. These witnesses, 1.

137^a,
Feb. 22.

[43.] a composicion betwene the towne of Oxford & Osney tempore *Edwardi tercij* confirmand. omnes libertates usque bokebynders brudge.

The dis-
puta be-
tween
Oseney, and
Oxford,

as to juris-
diction in
Oseney and
* leaf 12,
back.
Warham-
bank (no.
12),
where
Oseney
claimed
feudal
lordship
(as in no.
13),
and the
town of
Oxford
claimed
municipal
rights,

SITH² diuerse debatis and Chalenges haue i-be i-mevid afore þese owres, betwene thabbot and Couent of Osney of the oone partie, and the Mayre and communitie of oxonforde on the 16 *oper* partie, of the Kynges ffranchises and other thynges towchyng them, that is to say, of all þe partie of the Ile of Oseneye that longeth to þe Abbot and Couent, to-geduñ with all ten*auntes vppon þe weer of þe Millis of þe castell of oxon- 20 ford the which were the saide Abbot and Couent claymyñ as parcell of *pere* parte of þe Ile aforsaide, with-in þe which parte of þe Ile aforsaide to-geduñ also with þe forsaide were þey claymyñ vywe³ of franciplege (or lawday), and al-so-muche 24 as longeth to þe laweday, catellys of ffugityfs and felons, sock sack tol tem and Infangenthesse, and that þe saide Abbot and couent, there tenauntes and meñ, shaft be quyte of Shires hundredis wardes Daneyeldys & all pleis and *oper* exaccions and 28 quarels, outetake murthuñ and thefte i-preuyd; and with-in the same boundis the mayre and communes of oxonford claymyñ all maner ffranchises as þey haue with-in þe towne of oxonforde, as

¹ 'terre eorum que de feodo meo sunt, solute sint et quiete.'

² In the Christ Church MS. this agree-

ment is in French, at this place; and an English version is given at folio 323.

³ MS. has 'rywe,' by a slip.

a parcelle of þe subarbes of þe sayde townd; of þe which debates and chalanges þe parties aforesaide haue i-putte þem-selfe in sub-mitting and ordinaunce of the bisshop of lincoln¹ prayng hym
 4 as þere fadur spirituell to do bytwene them a finall discussyng and a goode a-corde in þat partie: þe saide bisshop sawe þe Euidences of þe oone partie and of þe oþer, and consideryng
 þe saide Ile², al so well³ þe partie of þe saide Abbot and Couent
 8 as the partie of the honowre of Seynte Walerye, and the ffraunchises of þem, by goode avisement⁴ in this wise he declared and Juggid⁵ finally in manere the which syth: that is to say, þe saide Abbot and Couent haue ryght, as of þe fundacion
 12 of here church, to haue and to Enioye all þe ffraunchises and quytynge aforesaide, to þem and to þere successours, tenautes, and receuautes⁶, in all þe Abbey of Osenev and in all þe remanent of þe partie of þe saide Abbot of þe saide Ile of Osney
 16 as [far as] to⁷ þe Brygge, and in all þe Brygge i-callid Bokebynderbrugge, and in all the water⁸ þe which renneth vnder the same brugge vnto þe Ryuer of themse towarde þe south and towarde þe North vnto þe Ende of þere free tenautes so that no
 20 mylle⁹ þere be leuyd or sett¹⁰; And for alteracion¹¹ of the name of the saide Brugge¹², for be-cawse þere be two brigges nyȝhe togedur, In this wise it is declarid by the saide Bisshop þat þe brigge þe which streecheth ouer the streme rennyng more nyȝhe
 24 þe Mille ponde of þe castell of oxonforde in þe west parte of þe saide ponde is þe saide brigge i-callid þe bokebynderbrygge; and that þe saide Maier and communes, þere heyres, ne successours, by them, ne by þere mynsters, ony demaunde clayme or

was referred to arbitration of the diocesan,

whose verdict was that (i) Osenev should have absolute lordship within the site of the abbey, and in Osenev island and in Warham-bank as far as Bookbinders Bridge

(which bridge is defined to be the bridge nearest Castle-Mills-pond),

¹ John Bokingham, bishop 1363-98.

² Marginal note: 'the Ile of Osney parte of the honour of saint Walery.'

³ 'si bien la part . . . comme la part.'

⁴ 'par bone deliberacione.'

⁵ Marginal note: 'Note þe Juggement.'

⁶ 'reseantz.'

⁷ Marginal note: 'Nota, to bokebynder brugge the liberties of Osney to holde.' French: 'tanque al pont.' Osenev had its own court for its manor of Osenev; and claimed that the whole of Warham-bank was parcel of that manor, and so exempt from the mayor's jurisdiction. This claim was allowed only in part.

⁸ Marginal note: 'Waters.'

⁹ The town of Oxford (Wood's *City of*

Oxford, i. 404) had acquired one moiety of the Castle Mills (the other moiety remaining in the king's hands) and so coveted the water-power there. Hence the prohibition here stated.

¹⁰ Alternative rendering: 'soit leue.'

¹¹ Should be 'because of dispute about'; 'et par alteracione del nom du dit Pont.'

¹² There were three bridges over the most easterly stream of Thames: (a) Hythe-bridge, most to the north; (b) Quaking-bridge, nearer to, but still north of, the Castle Mills; (c) a bridge south of the Castle Mills, possibly the one here called Bookbinders Bridge. The ground here at this time is shown tentatively in map iii, at end of Wood's *City of Oxford*, i.

except that Oseney tenants within these limits shall pay their fair share of taxes granted by parliament to the king, and of the expenses of sending burgesses to parliament, according to the old rate customary in the west suburb;

* leaf 13.

(ii) Oxford should have full jurisdiction, east of Book-binders bridge between Hythe-bridge (north) and that bridge of the Castle Mills which is near the Greyfriars (south), over

execucion by cawse of Jurisdiccio[n] or oony opere cawse may do within þe precyncte aforsaide, outetake þat pabbot and Couent lette not þe saide tenauntes and receyuauntes that been or shall be with-in þe precyncte above-sayde to be contributours¹ 4 with þe communitie of oxonforde to þe dyme or quinzime or fiftene or oper subsidy² i-grauntid or to bee grauntid to þe Kyng In playne parlement³ by the communyte of the Realme and to þe Burgeys spense⁴ to such a parlement i-chose, and so 8 in þe same manere as þe tenauntes and receyuauntes the which been or shall be within the honowr of Seynte Walerye Doone and shall doo tyme to come and after þe saying of that pat⁵ in olde tyme was i-woned to be sett in the parishe⁶ of Seynte 12 Thomas Stokewelle and Twentyacre þe which were i-wonyd in commune at such a contribucion to do⁷, withoute Encrese vppo[n] them by oony cawse to come or that maye Aryse in tymys to come, so that þe saide mayer and communitie, here heyres, and 16 successours, aquyte and discharge the sayde tenauntes and receyuauntes of þe sayde Abbot and Couent that been or shall be within þe precyncte * abovesaide that þey shall charge at such contribucion with none opere foreynys⁸. And also þe saide 20 Bisshop hathe declarid and Juggid that þe saide Mayer and communyte, here heyres, and successours, haue ryght⁹ to haue and to Enioye all þe franchises and Jurisdiccio[n] fro þe saide Brygge i-callid Bokebynderbrygge towarde þe Est bytwene þe Brigge 24 i-callid the Hithebrigge and þe Brigge by-nethe the Millys of the castell of Oxonforde towarde þe frere Menoures of all here tenauntes and receyuauntes of the saide Abbot and Couent vppo[n] þe were pere as þey haue within þe tow[n] of Oxonford; so 28 that þe saide tenauntes and receyuauntes þe which been or shall be vppo[n] the were above-saide be not i-lettid to vse And to haue frely pere Esement of þe water of themse¹⁰ in honest

¹ Marginal note: 'with the comminalltie of Oxford to paye the Dyme, xvthne, subsidy, & to the brugijs [i.e. burgesses] of parliament expenses.'

² Alternative rendering: 'au disme ou quinzime ou autre subsidy.'

³ 'en plein parlement.'

⁴ 'et a les dispenses.'

⁵ 'et ce selonc l'afferant de ceo que.'

⁶ i.e. St. Thomas' parish, with its northern districts, Stockwell (where Walton

Street now is), and Twenty-acre (about Little Clarendon Street). Wood's *City of Oxford*, ii. 115, mistakes the meaning of the phrase.

⁷ 'a tiel contribucione faire.'

⁸ 'qils ne seront chargez a tiel contribucione faire ouesque (= avec) autres foreynz queconques.'

⁹ Marginal note: 'liberties perteynyng to the Maire & commynalte of Oxford & howe farre their liberties do extend.'

¹⁰ Marginal note: 'Nota.'

manere, and safe to þe sayde Abbot and Couent and to þere
 successours there free tenementes rentes and seruices and þere
 soyle¹ vppoð þe same were as ryȝht of þe fundacion of þere
 4 church. And vppoð þat as weſt þe sayde Abbot as þe saide
 mayre and communys haue greably assentid to þe sayde Declara-
 cion and Juggement so i-doo by þe sayde Bisshop, as above hit
 is i-sayde, And þey holde and afferme for a-corde and fynali
 8 Juggement and discussion for all dayes of þe oon parte [and
 of the other²] withoute gyle or Euyll Engyne. In-to witnyss
 of þe which þynge to þe oon parte of this Endenture abydyng
 to þe saide mayre and communityte þe saide Abbot and Couent
 12 haue i-put þere seele, and to þe oper parte of þe Same Endentu
 abydyng to þe saide Abbot and Couent þe saide mayre and
 communityte haue i-put þere commune seele. And for gretter and
 more surete and witnyss of þe acorde and of þynges abovesaide
 16 þe saide Bisshop hath i-putt his seele to þe oone and to þe oper
 parte of þe same Endenturs: i-ȝefe, or þe Date, at london the
 xxij. day of feuerer the yere of þe regne of oure lorde Kyng
 Edward þe iij. after þe Conquest þat is to say of Inglonde lj.
 20 and of ffrance xxxviij.

Oseney
 tenants
 living
 there,
 reserving
 to Oseney
 tenants
 free use of
 the river-
 water and
 of the soil.

[VIII. OF THE MEADOWS³.]

[44.] NOTA that whenne hit is i-saide in A Charter of Robert
 Doylly owre foundaer 'And all þat is myne in the forsaide Ile of
 Osney' hit is to be vnderstande of all þabbey of Osney, with
 24 hegges, wallys, and Gardeyns, with þe mede i-ioyned to hit that
 is i-callyd Orchardysmede.

Explan-
 ation of
 phrase in
 no. 12.

[45.] SEKE þe forsaide charter above In þe title of þe funda-
 cion of Oseney And surpermoer how 'I Henry Doylly þe secunde
 28 haue i-ȝefe to þe forsaide chanons for þe sowles of my kynnes-
 folkes and for my helth and of myne all my mede þe which is at
 þe weste of þere Courte of Oseneye in-to perpetuell almes free
 and quyte fro all seruice,' &c.

Reference
 to no. 12,
 and to its
 confirma-
 tion in
 no. 25.

¹ Marginal note: 'reserued to Osney
 the soyll on the water goyng to the mylles
 of the Castell.'

² 'et de l'autre.'

³ Titul. VII, somewhat incorrectly, was

supposed to continue to this point: i.e.
 'Howe þe church of Seynte George was
 i-ȝefe to the chanons of Oseney.' The
 English MS. had, however, ceased to give it
 as a headline.

About
1240.
Extract
from
* leaf 13,
back.
charter by
Philippa,
countess of
Warwick,
granting
two mea-
dows near
Oseney,
and pas-
ture-rights
in West-
Oseney.

[46.] KNOWE all men, I. withinne ffurpermo^r that þe seyde Countesse¹ hath i-grauntid^r for he^r and^r for he^r heyres to þe Abbot and^r Couent and^r * to þere successours that þey haue þere closes in goode pece and^r holde þen^d foreuer, þat is to say, þe close of þe hämme [of the fee²] of Doylly and^r of Seynte Walerye be-hynde þe fullyng^r [mill²] of Oseney, and^r þe close that þey haue of þe ffee of Henry Symeon^d, I. as within þe title of 'Hedynton^d,' in þe which charter is i-conteyned that 'pabbot⁸ may haue xx^{ti} bestys in Westoseney³ after þe hey is i-mowe and i-leuyd^r vn-to Myzhelmasse and^r after myzhelmasse as many as he will.'

About
1180?
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
Henry
Doily (? I),
of meadow.

[47.] To all cristei^d pepul^d to þe which þis present writyng¹² shall come Henry Doylly, ou^r lorde Kyng^e's constable, helth. Know 3e all þat mede⁴ that lyeth be-yonde [þe] water the which is i-called^r Eldee towarde þe west and^r is nyzhe to þe Burgeys medis of oxonforde þe which [are] of the ffee of Hedyndon^d, 16 that⁵ is to say, þe mede to þe chanon^s of Oseney of me for my helth and^r of my aunceturs is i-yeve, is of my ffee and^r of my aunceturs. In-to wittnysse of this þynge, to this present writyng^r my seele I haue putt to. Witnysses, &c⁶.

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1239,
Aug. 1.
Sale to
Oseney, by
Humphrey
de Monte,

of 16 acres
in Bulstake
mead,

[48.] Know þey that been^d present and^r to be that I, vmfrey of þe mounte þe Soone of Gylberte of þe mounte, for my sowle helth and^r of þe sowles of my aunceturs, 3afe and^r grauntid, and^r with my charter confermed^r, for me and^r myne heyres for euer, 24 to god and^r to þe church of Seynte Mary of Oseney and^r to þe chanon^s þere seruyng^r god, all my mede with þe pertinences that I had in the mede þat is callid þe mede of Bolestake⁶, withoute cony agayne-holdyng^r to me or to my heyres for euer, þat is to 28 say, xvj. acris, were-of x. acris lye^d bytwene the mede [of⁷ Henry son of Henry and the mead of William de gardino of Botelee, and vi. acres lie between the mead] þat Roger of

¹ Philippa Basset, co-heiress of Thomas Basset, lord of Headington, widow of Henry de Newburgh (died 1229), 6th earl of Warwick.

² Added from the Latin.

³ An island, between streams of Thames, immediately to the west of the abbey, as

figured in map ii. to Wood's *City of Oxford*.

⁴ Marginal note: 'Mede.'

⁵ 'quod videlicet pratum . . . est colatum.'

⁶ Marginal note: 'bolestage Mede.'

⁷ Added from the Latin.

Boteley helde and þe mede that Robert Mercer sumtyme helde :
 to be had and to be holde, to þe saide church and chanons for euer,
 in-to ffre and perpetuell almes, with all þe ryght that longeth
 4 to þe same mede (with þe pertinences) [that] I haue or I had or
 Euer myght haue, well and in peece, ffrely and quietly, yeldyng
 þerof yerly to me and my heyres j. d. at Estur at Oseney for all
 seculer service exaccioñ custom Sevtes and Demaundes in all
 8 thynges þe which of my lond or for my londe may be axid,
 Savyng to þe chefe lorde of þe ffee the rent of v. s. in tyme of
 heyng and to þe mower viij. d., þe which þe same chanons
 shall quyte. And I vmfrey and my heyres all þe forsaide
 12 thynges to þe forsaide church and Chanons for Euer shall
 warantize agaynste all men and women, that, if, for Defaute of
 my warantizing or my heyres, harmys or Expensis þey renne in,
 we shall satisfye them by the syght of lawfull men of our oþer
 16 londis. And for þys yevyng grauntyng and warantizing þe
 saide chanons yafe to me vj. marke of siluer. This charter was
 i-maade at Oseney att þe feste Seynte petur Ad uincula, The
 3ere of þe reyne of Kyng Henry¹ þe sone of Kyng John xxiiij.
 20 And that this my zevyng grauntyng and warantizing abide
 sure and stable for Euer, with this present wrytyng and puttyng
 to of my seele I haue i-strengthit hit. The witnyssis, i.

subject to
quit-rents
of 1d. to
the mesne
lord,

and 5s. to
the chief
lord, with
8d. 'to the
mower.'

Purchase-
money, £4.

[49.] Quyte-clayme of xxiiij. s. goyng owt of bolestake
 Mede & other parcelles.

1248,
June 10.

HENRY, By the grace of god Kyng of Inglonde, lorde of
 24 Irlande, Duke of Normandy, and Erle of Aungye, to all
 Baylyffes and his true men helth. Knowe 3e vs in the waye of
 cheryte to haue i-relesid to thabbot and Couent of Oseney and
 þen quyte to haue i-claymed, for vs and our heyres for Euer, of
 28 xxiiij. s. 3erly to be i-zelded of þe londes the which þey holdeñ
 of oure *seriaunt Mys², that is to saye, in Oxonforde-shire of
 þe mede of Bolestake withoute Oxonforde þat is of þe seriaunty
 of Gilbert of Mountes ix. s., And of A mede withoute Bampton
 32 þe which is i-callid Huntmede that is of þe seriauntye of
 Richard de la mare v. s. And of þe mcde that is i-called

Surrender
to Oseney,
by Henry
III,
of rent-
charges
over
Oseney
property,

* leaf 14.
viz., in
Oxford-
shire, out
of Bulstake
mead, 9s.;
and out of
meads at

¹ Marginal note: 'Henricus 3, Rex
 Anglie.'

² 'seriaunt Mys' in MS., in error for
 'serjauntyes': 'de nostris seriantiiis.'

Bampton,
53. and
38. 4d.;
and in
Bucks, in
Southcot,
6s. 8d.

Burewege that is of þe Seriauntye of Henry de la mare iij. 3.
iiij. d. And In Bokyngham-shire of j. 3erdelonde with þe
pertinences in Suthcote þat is of þe Seriauntye of William of
Seynte Clare dñ. marke. In-to witnyssse of this thyng these our 4
letters we haue i-made to be i-made patent, My-selfe witnesse,
at Wynchester x. daye of June In the yere of our reame
xxxij.

About
1170.
Excerpt
from grant
to Oseney,
by Ralph
Botereff,
of meadow
at Oseney,

[50.] BE hit i-knowe to all true meñ of holy church þat I, 8
Raph Botereff, prayng and willyng Julyan my wife and Johan
her Dowghter, 3afe and grauntid, in-to fre and perpetueñ almys,
to þe church of god and of Seynte marye of Oseney and to þe
chanon3 pere seruyng god, ð. And within &c² And þe mede¹ 12
that is by þe courte of Oseney of þe oper side of þe water: for
þe which mede þey shaft yelde Euery seynte John Baptiste day
euery yere to þe church of seynte frideswith for me xij. d. for
all seruice. [This² grant I have made to them free and quit from 16
all service] bothe ryalle and oper and all exaccion, in þe chapter
of þeñd afore þe Couent, And vppon þe Auter, also with my
wife I offerid hit: þese witnyssys. This my³ Charter is i-write
hole in þe title of Hokenortoñ. And note þat we haue a con- 20
firmacion of William Horevile and of Johan his wife vppon þe
forsaide charter, þe which is Above in þe title of Hokenortoñ, ð.

as in no.
217, and

confirmed
in no. 218.

About
1190.

Grant to
Oseney, by
Thomas de
la grave,

of meadow,

subject to
2s. quit-
rent to
Heading-
ton manor.

[51.] quyte-clayme of ij. s. &c² owt of Gocesham.

KNOWE þey that present be and to be that I, Thomas fñt
ffulcon. de la Grave, yeve and graunte, in-to fre and perpetueñ 24
almys, to þe church of Seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe
chanon3 per seruyng god, all my mede of Gocesham that Geffrey
fñt Durande helde: to be holde ffrely and quietly, sauynge ij.
3. þe which þe same chanon3 of þe same mede yelden for me 28
and my heyres to þe maner of Hedyntoñ yerely at þe feste of
Seynt M[i]ch3heñ. Truly I toke in my hande for me and my
heyres to warrantize to þe same chanon3 þat tenement ouer all
and agaynste all meñ. Of this our yifte, ð. þe witnyssse, ð. 32

¹ Marginal note: 'Mede.'

² Added from the Latin.

³ Omit 'my.'

[52.] Knowe þey that been present and to bee þat I, Adam Porter of Oseney, haue i-gefe, grauntid, and with my charter confermed, to þabbot of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng
 4 god, all my mede that I holde of Water Cole þat lieth bytwene Bolestake and þe mylle of Boteley, that is to say, ij. acres and
 8 iij. buttes: to be holde of me and of my heyres for Euer, firely and quietly, worschipfully and hooly, yeldyng þerof¹ to me and
 to my heyres yerly ij. d. at Myzhelmasse and to Water Cole
 iij. d.² and to þe Mower ij. d. for all seculer seruice. And I
 Adam porter and my heyres shall warantize to þe forsaide Abbot
 and Couent þe forsaide mede agaynste all men and women.
 12 And if þe forsaide ij. Acris and iij. Buttes to þe forsaide Abbat
 and Couent we may not warantize, all my londe of his fee that
 I haue in seynte Thomas parish * shall abide quyte to þen.
 And for this yifte and graunte the forsaide Abbot and Couent
 16 safe to me in Rewarde³ vj. marke of siluer. And þis yifte
 graunte and warantizing truly to be holde I adam porter for
 me and my heyres haue I-plizght my trowth and with my seele
 puttyng to haue i-strenghtle hit. These witnyssys, f.

About
 1210.
 Sale to
 Oseney, by
 Adam,
 porter,
 of 2 acres
 and 4 butts
 of meadow,
 subject to
 quit-rents,
 2d. to the
 mesne lord,
 3s. to the
 chief lord,
 with 2d. to
 the mower.

* leaf 14,
 back.

Purchase-
 money, £4.

20 [53.] To all cristen men to þe which this wrytyng shall
 come, prior of lantony, Archedecur and Deene of Gloucetur,
 helth in our lorde. Knowe ye all þat whenne, by diurese
 letters afore vs and afore þabbot and prior and Deene of
 24 Abendo of Delegatye of our lorde þe pope Honory þe iij., whas
 a plee betwene þe lorde Abbot and Couent of⁴ Enysham of þe
 oon partye, and lorde Richard, Abbot, and Couent of Oseney of
 þe oþer partie, vppoñ tithis of heye of þe saide Munckes of
 28 þere medys by Oseney liyng, and vppoñ a yerly rente of vj. s.
 for þe ferme of þe tithis of þe saide chanons of Kersyntoñ⁵, and
 vppoñ þe peyne of xl. s. [and] vppoñ interesse of þe same
 chanons by-cause agaynste þe mynchuns of Wrokeshale and
 32 vppoñ summe despites, at þe laste after many altercacions
 vppoñ þe saide all axynges of Euerych oþer and mony wronges
 vnto þe tyme of makyng of this wrytyng i-meved, þe stryves⁶
 betwene þe saide howses thys frendely restyd: þat is to say, þe

1220,
 July 14.
 Agreement
 between
 Oseney and
 Einsham
 abbey,

in respect
 of counter
 claims
 about
 tithes,

Oseney
 receiving a
 perpetual

¹ Marginal note: 'Mede.'

² Latin: 'iii. solidos.'

³ 'in gersumman.'

⁴ 'Oseney' follows in MS., and ought to
 have been struck out.

⁵ i. e. Cassington.

⁶ 'lites.'

lease of
Einsham
interest in
meadows
near Ose-
ney,
paying 5s.
to Heading-
ton manor,
excusing
6s. due
from Cas-
sington by
Einsham;

and paying
to Einsham
13s. on
July 20.

Oseney
also is to
pay the
mower.

saide Abbot and Couent of Enysham grauntid and toke¹ to þe
saide Abbot and Couent of Oseney all þere mede of Bolestoke²,
with ij. hammys lyyng be-hynde þe courte of Oseney towarde
þe sowth, to be holde of þem and to be had in þe name of a⁴
perpetueñ ferme, for xxiiij. s. yerly in þis maner to be payde,
þat is to say, v. s. to þe chefe lorde of Hedyndon at þe terme of
Seynte John Baptiste, and vj. s. by relese þe which þe saide
chanons maude to þe saide Munkes vppon þe vj. s. in þe which s
þe same Munkes were i-holde to þem for þe saide tithis [of]
Kersynton for³ i-paide i-had, And þe xij. residue s. at þe fest
of Seynte Margarete at Oseney to þe Secresteñ of Enynsham or
to his certeyñ messynger þe saide chanons yerly *without* agayne- 12
saying and Cauillacion shal paye, And euermore þe saide
chanons ofte to susteyne þe Burdon⁴ of þe mower of þe saide
mede: And þe saide Munkes beed i-holde to þe warantizyng of
þe saide fferme. Also þe bothe parties haue i-subiecte þem-selfe 16
by goode feyth to ouñ Jurisdiccioñ, of þe consent⁵, for euer to
constreyne both by censure of þe churche (apelyng i-put awaye)
to þe kepyng of þe forsaide thynges, notwithstanding þe com-
posicioñ betwene þe parties a-noper tyme vppon þe saide tithis 20
i-made, þe which napelesse in oper artikuls in þe composicioñ
i-contente in þere surenysse shal abide. And that this com-
posicioñ sure and stable abide for euer, both parties also with
ouñ seeles haue i-strengeth hit with þere seeles. Thes thynges 24
were i-doo at Oxonforde in seynte Marye church þe thride flerie
after þe ffeeste of þe translacion of Seynte Benet, þe yere of þe
Incarnacion of ouñ lorde M^{cc}xxvj., afore Master Roger Caunt-
lowe and Reginalde Chapeleyñ of þe church of Seynte Oolde of 28
Oxonford vñdū⁶ ouñ Delegates, þe dede of þe which we by þe
popes auctorite strengthe. Þese witnysses:—

1225,
May 22.

[54.] betwene thabbot of Osney & the Pryor of ffrys-
wyse [about] the tyth hey of the meades of Northam,
Pytmeade, Hallewer, Brademore [&c⁹].

Contro-
versy be-

KNOWE⁷ all cristen meñ that whenne, bytwene Richard,

¹ 'concesserunt et tradiderunt.'

² Marginal note: 'betwene thabbotes of Eynesham & Osney for bolestake mede & the hammys &c.'

³ 'pro solutis habendis.'

⁴ 'onus' in the Christ Church MS.;

'onus consueute mercedis messarii,' in the Cotton MS.

⁵ 'de consensu'; scil. of the parties.

⁶ 'subdelegatis nostris.'

⁷ The Latin text is in Wigram's *Cart. S. Frid.*, ii. 31. The Oseney Latin text is more correct.

Abbot, and Couent of Oseney and Simon, prior of Seynte
 frideswith, moony stryves were i-moved afore Jugges fro þe
 pope Delegate and also afore Arbitrars of þe commune consent
 4 of parties i-chose, that is to say, Archedecon of Wircetur and
 his co-arbitrars, vppoð tithe of heye of all medes of þe ffee of
 Hedyndon withoute þe courte of Oseney towarde þe west lyng;
 * and vppoð þe tithis of þe heye of pese medis, Northam,
 8 Pitmede, Halwere, Brademore; and vppoð þe tithe of Corne
 and heye of Andrewe of Coveley; and vppoð þe tithe of þe
 corn of all þat porcion of telthe lyng be-yonde þe Hospitall of
 seynte Bartholomew towarde þe Est þe which was commune
 12 pasture of Coveley; and of þe tithis of Corne of þe prior and
 Couent of seynte frideswith in Cudeslawe, with ¹ þe obuencion[s]
 or comyng þerof offrynges, offrynges, and oper parishall prouentes
 or profittes of þere seruantes þere levyng; and vppoð þe tithis
 16 of corne and heye of half j. hide of þe prior þe which was of
 Henry Bewfist in Thumele ², with þe obuencions, offrynges,
 small tithis, and parishe servyng ³ of þere men þere levyng;
 with þe tithis of þe telthe þe which is i-called Bradmore
 20 berewes: with þe tithes of A telthe þe which is i-callid Gilbers ⁴;
 with ⁵ þe greve that hath i-come by þe rente Encresed of
 langeneye, In the charter of Eldrede ⁶ Kyng and [in] þoo oper
 Instrumentes by þe which þe church of seynte Marye Mawdefen,
 24 or oony thyng in hit, oper tithis of Northam, may be i-calengid
 of ⁷ þe chanons of seynte frideswith, with renouncyng of þe vse
 of suche Instrumentes of periury of þe same chanons; and vppoð
 þe tithis of þe Milles gryndyng corne in þe courte of Oseney,
 28 And of all officis þe which been i-sett be-yonde ⁸ þe oolde curse
 of þen þat is i-callid Eldee and towarde þe weste, and vppoð
 obuencionis and oper parysshall profites of seruantes in þe same

tween
 Oseney
 and St.
 Frides-
 wyde's,
 about
 tithes of
 hay and
 corn

* leaf 15.
 in several
 places near
 Oxford,

[Forged
 charters.]

¹ 'Comyng-therof-offrynges' is an alternative rendering with 'obuencions,' for a single Latin word. So also 'profittes' and 'prouentes.' The Latin runs:— '[super] obuencionibus, oblacionibus & aliis parochialibus prouentibus seruentium suorum ibidem degencium.'

² Thomley, a hamlet of Waterperry parish: Wigram, *Cart. S. Frid.*, ii. 154, 157.

³ 'et parochiali sequela.'

⁴ 'giberis,' a 'cultura' in Walton.

⁵ Latin [et super] 'gravamine': the

grievance being that St. Frideswyde's had bolstered up some claims by producing forged deeds: cp. no. 5. Wigram's *Cart. S. Frid.*, i. 44; describes a forged deed, purporting to be of date, 1201.

⁶ The Foundation Charter of Ethelred, 1004, is printed in Wigram's *Cart. S. Frid.*, i. 2.

⁷ 'of' = 'by'; 'decime . . . vendicari possint a Canonicis S. Frid.'

⁸ 'ultra veterem cursum illius aque que vocatur Ealde-ce versus occidentem.'

were referred to arbitrators, by whose offices Oseney surrendered to St. Frideswyde's all claim to tithes in Thomley; and to certain tithes in Putmead, Halcwere and Bradmore; and to half of tithe of Wyulseye; St. Frideswyde's surrendered to Oseney all claim to tithes of meadows west of Oseney and to tithes of Northam: the tithe of 'the lynch' to go with that of the meadow to which it belongs, or to be divided:

offices lyvyng; and vppon þe tithis bothe of corne and of heye of Middeleye, with þe obuencions and oper parisschal profits of seruauntes and of oper meñ þere levyng; and vppon þe tithis of all þe telthe þe which lieth vppon þe Kynges hye weye nyhe 4 to þe telthe of Wynterbroc vnto þe Hospitaill of seynte Bartholomewe; and vppon þe processions¹ of þe churchis of seynte George and of seynte marye Mawdefen in þe assencion daye of our lorde; and vppon þe tithis of þe heye and of þe Milles and 8 of þe flsshynge of Robert Hule; and vppon [þe tithis² of all the tilled lands of the fee of Hedendon on] þe weste partie of Charewell, outetake þe tilthis of Northam, berecrofte, and oper tilthes with-in þe bondes³ of Seynte Marye Mawdefen: at þe 12 laste, by masters Robert official of lincoln and [the] Archedecun [of Lincoln] and Adam Archedecun of oxonforde mediators bytwene þem, all þe saide controuersies whare i-sesed frendely for Euer in this maner:—pat is to say, for þe goode of per- 16 petuell peece, þe saide Abbot and Couent of Oseney haue i-grauntid to þe saide prior and Couent of seynte frideswith all þe tithes of Corne and heye þe which þey were i-woned to take of þe hide of þe prior In thumele; and also all small tithis and 20 tithis of heye of putmede and Halcwere; and tithis of heye In Bradmore when þey haue i-gete hit⁴; & half þe tithis of heye of Wyulseye⁵: And saide prior and Couent of Seynte frideswith haue i-grauntid to þe saide Abbot and Couent of Oseney 24 that þey haue pesible all tithis of medis of þe fee of Hedyndon withoute þe Courte of Oseney towarde west, and that þey ioye pesible þe tithis of þe Medis of Northam, all quarelyng for Euer vppon þe saide tithis relesyng to þe saide Abbot And 28 Couent afore i-moved: And if þe litull mede that is i-callid lynch haue i-be longyng of Northam or Halcwere⁶, pat hangyng⁷, shall be of pat parte to þe which hit is hangyng⁷, and if it be of noþer hangyng, be hit departid betwene parties: and þey 32

¹ Ascension-day long retained, and still in some places retains, its processions 'beating the bounds' of parishes: cp. Wood's *Life and Times*, iii. 15.

² Added from the Latin: 'omnium terrarum culturarum de feodo de H.'

³ 'limites.'

⁴ 'eas,' scil. decimas.

⁵ Or Wyulseye. The boundaries of Cut-

slow (Wigram, *Cart. S. Frid.*, ii. 207) suggest that this was a meadow there.

⁶ Northam was on the north of Oxford, on the Cherwell. 'Lynch' was a meadow, surrounded by a stream of Cherwell, which might go either with Northam on the south or with Halcwere on the north.

⁷ 'appendicium.'

haue¹ i-grauntid to þe chanons of *frideswith* þe oper partie of tithes of heye of Wyuesley, of þe which mede þe tithes with commune conselles and expenses of[t] to be i-gete and gaderid.

4 *Ouermore*, þe tithes of þe heye of Andrewe of Coveley, fully and pesible, shaft be i-paide to þabbot and Couent of Oseneye: Also þe tithes of þe heye and of þe mylles and of þe fisshynges of Robert Hule as longe as he is parissheñ of Cudelyntoñ by

8² skele of þat tenauntrye, And if (after þat same mannys decease R.³) [the] chanons of Seynte *frideswith* wille holde hit in here owne hande with pertinences, hit⁴ shaft be of þe saide tithis as þe lawe yeveth: and other petitions And quarels (vppoñ oper

12⁵ pynges above i-named, and vppoñ small⁶ petitions almoste of l. marke, and of axynges of Expenses by-cawse of Stryves i-maade) i-mevid, both parties to euerche oper haue i-relesed for Euer; thynges i-doo afore napelese and composicions of langede

16 neye and vppoñ þe church of Seynte Marye Mawdefen sumtyme betwē parties i-maade þorowgh all here articles in þere strenght abidyng. Þe chanons also of Seynte *frideswith* full restitution of A rent of ix. d. of A grounde sumtyme⁷ fired in þe parisshe of

20 Seynte Marye Mawdefen to þe same church shaft do; and to⁷ þe chanons of Oseney þere accioñ Haue relesed, and quareñ vppoñ that rent i-mevid. Also both parties consentid that þe compromisse i-maade to-gedur bytwene þem of þe saide thynges

24 be nawght and be i-cancellid; and hit is renouncid to pynges i-purchased⁸ as to þo contrauersys and pynges above-named. And þe saide Abbot of Oseney and prior of Seynte *frideswith*, for þem-selfe and þere couentes, seying the holy pynges, that in

28 goode feithe and withoute Gile this composicion þey shaft kepe in all thynges and neuer shaft Imagyne⁹ vnto cony preiudice of hit. Þese thynges were doo þe yere of þe Incarnacion of oure

expense of getting tithe-hay of Wyvelsey to be shared. Oseney to have tithe-hay of Andrew of Cowley; and tithe of Hule mills so long as held by present tenant. [If St.

* leaf 15, back, *Frideswyde's* stake Hule mills into its own hand, let the law decide about the tithe.] [Former agreements about Langney and St. Mary Magdalen church to hold good.] Oseney also to have a quit-rent (challenged by St. *Frideswyde's*) of 9d. in St. Mary Magdalen parish.

¹ So also in Latin, but must be in error. St. *Frideswyde's* has already received its half; this should have been given as Oseney half.

² 'ratione illius tenementi.'

³ 'R.' is deferred out of its right place. 'Si autem, post decessum eiusdem R., canonici...'

⁴ 'erit de dictis decimis, sicut ius dictaverit.' For the final agreement as to this point see no. 76.

⁵ 'Small' is in error for 'mutual' or

cross-actions. 'super mutuis [in the Cotton MS.: mis-read in the Christ Church MS. *minutis*] petitionibus pene L. marcarum.'

⁶ 'de terra quondam Siredi.'

⁷ Omit 'to.' 'et canonici Oseneye... remiserunt.'

⁸ 'et renunciatum est impetratis, quantum ad...'

⁹ 'nunquam aliquid in eius preiudicium machinabuntur.'

lorde M^lCCxxv, xj. kē of June, in þe Chapell of Seynte Nicholas at Osney: and that all these thynges abide sure for Euer, they beñ i-seeled with þe seeles of Both Howses, and of þe saide Abbot and prior, also and with seele of þe worschipfull 4 Archedecuns, i.

122⁴,
Febr. 3.

[55.] betwene thabbot of Osney & the pryoresse of
lytlemore.

Agreement
between
Oseney and
Littlemore
priory,
by which
Oseney
granted
Littlemore
a perpetual
lease of the
tithes of
hay of a
meadow
near Ose-
ney, for 2s.
quit-rent.

THIS is Covenaut i-maade Betwene sire Richard Abbot and Couent of Oseney of þe ooñe party, and þe lady priorisse and Couent of litulmore of þe oper partye, þat where þe saide 8 Abbot and Couent had i-Drawe þeñ in-to plee, afore Jugges of our lorde pope delegate, vppon tithis of heye of þe mede þat is betwene þe court of Oseney and of Henxhey and Is i-callid Snellesey: at þe laste, ffrendely þe saide chanon^s grauntid¹² to þeñ þe saide tithis for ij. s. yerly, in þe name of A fferme of them to be holde for Euer, in two termes of þe yere to þeñ to be i-paide, that is to sey, At Estur xij. d. and at þe fest of seynte Mighell xij. d.; and, last by processe of tyme oony strife or 16 question be i-sprunge vppon þe saide tithis, or þat þat is i-doo of þe same tithis betwene parties to be callid agayne in-to dowte or to be made vnsure by oony maner, þis writyng is i-made, of þe which ooñ partye i-seled with seelis of þe saide chanon^s 20 abideth to þe saide prioressse and couent, And þe oper partye i-seled with seelis of þe same mynchons to þe saide chanon^s. Also þe forsaide Abbot and Couent þe forsaide tithis as þe owe with þe owe costes [shall¹ defend] for þeñ-selfe and 24 for þe saide Minchons. Þese þynges were i-doo at Abendon in þe grete church In þe morowe of þe purificacion of þe blessed virgyñ, þe yere fro þe Incarnacion M^lCCxxij.

About
1180.

[56.] friswid gyueth to osnye iij. s. yerly rent for
relese of ij. s. vj. d.

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by

PHILIPPE² prior of Seynte Brideswith and all þe Couent 28 of þe same place to all true meñ of our holy modur þe church

¹ Added from the Latin.

to St. Brideswyde's is in Wigram's *Cart.*

² The Latin text of the Oseney grant

S. Frid., ii. 244.

helth. Knowe ye vs to have i-grauntid, and with our seele
 pryntynge to haue confermed, to be chanon^s of Oseney that yifte
 be which William Hereville and Johan his wiffe [made¹ to them
 4 of the meadow which the said William and Joan his wife] holde
 of vs for iiij. s. yerly to be i-paide at p^e ffest of Seynte John
 Baptiste for all seruice, that is to say, that lieth by p^e courte of
 Oseney be-yonde p^e water, whereof be forsaide William maade
 8 to vs homage and hath our Charter, sa pat p^e forsaide chanon^s
 of Oseney po iiij. s. p^e which be saide William and his heyres
 ofte to vs perof, for hym and for his heyres, to vs 3erly at
 be forsaide terme shaft paye, And pat be chanon^s of * Oseney,
 12 for pese iiij. s. and for here deliuerynge, relesed to vs xxx. d. p^e
 which we haue i-owyd to pay to p^em 3erly for summe tithis of
 Escote (vppon be which hit² was A translacion whas i-maade
 betwene our church and p^em afore Jugges Delegate), and for vs
 16 haue assined p^e oper vj. d., be which he shaft paye Euery daye
 at be saide terme of seynte John, to thomas ffit Eilrice and be
 heyres of hym, of a londe be which he holdeth of be forsaide
 chanon^s of Oseney within be Borowgh of oxonforde for ij. s.
 20 3erly, so pat we no-thing more³ of be same thomas and his
 heyres maye axe. These witnesse, p.

St. Frides-
 wyde's, of
 a meadow
 held of
 their house
 by quit-
 rent of
 3s.,

* leaf 16.
 and accept-
 ance, by
 way of pay-
 ment, of
 surrender
 of 2s. 6d.
 due to
 Oseney for
 tithes,
 and of 6d.
 out of an
 Oxford
 quit-rent
 due to
 Oseney.

[57.] To all cristen men to be which p^{is} writynge shaft come
 Robert by be mercy of god [abbot] and Osbert prior of Haben-
 24 don euerlastynge helth in owr lorde. To all yowre knowlege we
 wille hit come, vs to haue i-take owre lorde be pope-is com-
 maundement in be wordes:—

Honory, Bisshop, seruauant of be seruantes of god, to yowre⁴
 28 beloued sonnys, Abbot⁵ of Redyng and of Abendon Abbotes,
 and prior of Abendon, of Saresbury Diocese, helth and be
 apostels Benyson: our beloued sonnys Abbot and Couent of
 Oseney in here playng shewed pat Richard Clerke and summe
 32 oper of lincoln and Saresbury dioceses, vppon tithis possessions
 and oper thynges to pere church of Seynte George of ryght
 longe⁶, wronge⁷ to be same. Perfore to yowre discrecion, by be

122¹,
 March.
 Decision
 in favour
 of Oseney,
 by papal
 commis-
 sioners,

¹ Supplied from the Cottonian MS.,
 communicated by Rev. H. Salter.

² 'Super quibus transactum fuit inter
 nostram ecclesiam,' i.e. 'translacion' for
 'transaccion.'

³ 'nihil amplius quam vi d.'

⁴ Read 'our.'

⁵ Omit 'Abbot.'

⁶ Read 'longing': 'de iure spectantibus.'

⁷ i. e. do wrong: 'iniuriantur.'

[Formula
of a papal
commis-
sion.]

appointed
April 28,
1220,

in a suit
against
various
Oxford
citizens,

for tithe of
hay of
meadows
near Ose-
ney,

apostels wrytyng, we commaunde (pat þe partes i-callid) ye hire þe cause, and pat that is ryȝht (appelle i-put a-backe) ye ordeyne, makyng pat þat ye ordeyne by þe censure of þe church surely to be keptid, and þe witnysses that þen i-named (if þey, 4 for grace, hatrede, or drede, with-drawe þem) by þe same censure (appelle cesyng) constreyne to bere witnessse to þe trowthe; and if ye all to pese þynges to be executid may not be 1 atte hit, ȝit at þe leste tweyne doo execucion. Date at Viterbe, 8 þe iiij. KK. of may, of our Bisshophode þe iiij. ȝere.

þen for 2, by þe auctorite of this maundement, abbot of Redyng, our flawe Jugge, hym-selfe at 3 all þe cause excusyng, þe which was i-moved betwene Richard Abbot and Couent 12 of Oseneye, of þe oon party, and Henry ffȝt Symon, Philippe Miller, Symon Balehorn, Rordan rede 4, William Were 5, Oriot wydwe of Oeyen, Anneys wydwe of John Burewalde, John Pady, Richard Stocwell, Alurey Elmel, Robert oerre, Andrewe 16 Halegoode, Milon Baker 6, of the oþer party; Abbot and Couent of Osneye by a procutor 7, Philip Miller, S. Balehorne, and John Rede 8, in here owne persones, and oþer afore-named by procutours 7 in our presence i-sette, þe striffe vppoð tithis of 20 heye of þe forsaide men, that is to saye, of þe medes þe which lye withoute the courte of Oseneye towarde þe west i-witnessed, and witnesses to 9 þeñtente of þabbot and Couent of Osneye to be proued afore vs i-browȝht forth and examined, by 10 ordre of 24 lawe abowthe þe publiſshyng of [the attestations] þe saide witnessses i-browthȝ forth and þe disputyng of parties thoroght all thynges i-kepid: When 11 it was opyn of plee, renuncyng of þe bryngyng forth of witnesses and the allegacions hidis 12 and 28 þere i-doo, whenne fully it was i-preued by feythfull men pat þe saide medis 13 of þe forsaide places of oxonforde was of þe parish

1 'non . . . potueritis interesse.'

2 Read 'þefore': 'igitur.'

3 'ad totam causam.'

4 'rufum.' Read 'Iordan.'

5 'Bere.'

6 'pistorem.'

7 'per procuratores': 'procutor' seems to be a shortening, in the direction of 'proctor.'

8 'Iordano ruffo.'

9 'ad probandam intentionem.'

10 Omit 'by.' 'iuris ordine, circa publicacionem attestacionum dictorum testium

productorum et partium disputationem, per omnia observato.'

11 'Cum nobis de causa liqueret, renunciacionibus productionum testium et allegacionum hinc inde factis': i. e. both parties declared they had no more oral testimony (testes) or written statements (allegaciones) to produce.

12 Read 'hidir' (hither and thither).

13 Marginal note: 'vppoð the tythes of certeyn Mede lying without the Courte of Osney towards the west.'

of þere church of seynte George, or of seynte Marye Mawdelen
 þe which longeth to þe same church of seynte george, and
 nopyng whas i-proued¹ in-to contrarye, þe grace of þe holy goste
 4 i-called¹, þe tithis of heye of þe forsaide mede i-axid, with
 þe counsell of wise meñ and of meñ of lawe sittynge² to vs,
 þe saide [aduersaries³ being present, and of the said] aduer-
 sariis beyng absent þe procutours in þere name beyng to, þe
 8 tithis of þe hey of þe forsaide medes⁴ to be i-paied⁵ for parish
 ryght for euer to þabbot and Couent of Oseneye by * sentence
 diffynynge⁶, we haue i-Jugged. Moreouer we haue þe forsaide
 aduersariis in-to resonable expensis to þe saide Abbot and
 12 Couent condempned. In-to þe strenght and witnyss of this
 thyng, to þis writynge present owre seelis we haue i-Juggid
 worthy to put to. These thynges were i-do in þe chapel of
 Seynte Nicholas at Abendoñ, In þe moneth of Marche, þe yere
 16 of þe Incarnacion of oure lord anno M^t CC xxij.

* leaf 16,
back.

and award
of costs of
the suit to
Oseney.

[58.] KNOWE þey þat þen nowe and to be þat I, Symon
 Balehorne of oxonforde, haue i-zeve grauntid lefte and haue
 deliuered and with þis present charter confermyd, for me and
 20 my heyres, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of Oseney
 and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, all þe londe, ʒ. Also
 vj. acris of mede⁶, where-of iiij. lye by þe mede that sumtyme
 whas of Robert Mercer, of⁷ þe which also vj. acris alyne Smyth⁸
 24 helde sumtyme ij. acris, and Hugh Carpenter oper ij. acris, and
 John Sewy oper ij. acris, and þey lye By þe mede of þe lorde of
 that ffee, and all þo vj. acris strecche þem-selfe vn-to þe water
 þat floweth fro Bolestake, ʒ. This charter is i-write hole with-
 28 inne þe title of 'þe parish of Seynte Marye' of þe Borowgh of
 Oxonforde.

About
1220.
Excerpt
from a
grant to
Oseney,
by Simon
Balehorn,

of (amongst
other gifts)
6 acres of
meadow.

about 1530 by Dr. John Claymond across
these meadows: Wood's *City of Oxford*, i.

437.

⁵ 'per sententiam diffinitivam.'

⁶ Marginal note: 'Mede.'

⁷ 'de quibus etiam sex acris.'

⁸ 'Alanus faber.'

¹ 'invocata.'

² 'assidentium.'

³ Added from the Latin.

⁴ Marginal note (of later date): 'quære
if it be not the meades that mr. president
of corpus christi colledge;' referring no
doubt to Botley causeway, constructed

[IX. ALDEWERE.]

About
1180.

[59.] The locke of Osney.

Grant to
Osney, by
Bernard of
St. Valerie,
of a lock on
Thames,
and the
water-
course
which fed
Osney
mills.

BE¹ hit i-knowe to all true meñ of holy church pat I, barnarde of Seynte Walerye, haue i-geve and grauntid, and with my present charter confermed, to þe church of god and of Seynte marye of Osney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, 4 my goter or locke² by themse, with þe course of water þe which rennyth to þe myllis of þe Same chanonð In osneye, in-to ffe pure and perpetueñ almes, [quiet] fro all Seculeñ seruice and Demaunde, for þe helthe of my lorde þe Kyng Henry and myne s and of Anor my wife and of Bernarde my Soone and of my oper ffrendes. These witnesses, Gerarde my nevowe þe Vicounte³ of pinkeny, Master John of Brideporte, and oper.

1315.

[60.] A INQUISICION i-made for þe planke and^r philete to 12
be i-put in þe loke.

After
sworn
evidence of
a jury of
fourteen,

Inquisicion i-take By William of Hakeburñ, þeñ Baylyffe of þe hundrede withoute þe Northgate of oxonford, þe yere of Kyng Edward⁴ þe Soone of Kyng Edward⁴ þe ix, by þe ope 16 of Gilberte Shiptoñ, william of Eynysham, of Adam Tilhurst, Robert queyntoñ⁵, William Broun, Robert Gryndeñ, Water Wareborowgh, Hugh of Bartoñ, John leyge, [Richard⁶ of Bloxham, Walter of Hereford, Walter mareschal, Robert of Legge] 20 William Westoñ, þe which seyne by þere othe that pabbot of Osneye shaft put in his locke oñ table⁷ of þe brede of ij. fote and dj. with iij. borys or holys, And if hit be nede and lacke of water he⁸ shaft vppoñ put ooñ philet of þe brede of halfe 24 a foote. In-to witnyse of thys thyng þe forsaide swore meñ haue put to þere seelys. i-geve at osney þe day and þe yere a-forsaide.

Osney had
leave to
put a board
in Osney
lock, and,
if neces-
sary, also
a 'fillet.'

¹ The MS. marks nos. 59, 60 with a big marginal bracket, and has, opposite the beginning of 59, the marginal note: 'shewe the Rolle in latten for this.'

² 'gurgitem meum.'

³ 'vicedomino de Pinkeni.'

⁴ Marginal note: 'Edward 2.'

⁵ 'Quenintone.'

⁶ Added from the Latin.

⁷ 'ponet . . . unam tabulam.'

⁸ 'su[per]ponet unum filetum.'

[61.] MOOLDE themperice, þe dowghter of Kyng Henry, and lady of English men, to Archiebishops Bisshops Abbotes Erles Barons Justices Schreves Mynsters and to all her true men
 4 Englishe and ffrenshe¹ of all Inglonde helth. Knowe ye me to haue i-yeve and to haue i-grauntid, in-to perpetuell almes, to god and to seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanons pere
 8 seruyng god, for þe state and stabylnesse of þe Reame of Ingland & þe helth and welesfare of my lorde Erle of Aungye and of my² ffree childroin and for my³ne and for þe sowle
 of Kyng Henry my faduþ and of quene moolde my Moduþ & of our aunceturs and for þe helth of my sowle and remission of my
 12 synnes, þe⁴ goter or locke⁵ þat is i-callid aldewere, fre and quite, þe which was i-woned to pay by yere to my ffirme of Oxonforde
 iiiij. s.; And with-in þe borowgh of oxonforde, v. s. v. d. ob. *qua*. þe⁶ which þey woned to pay of þe langabule by yere of þat
 16 londe of þe londe of þe Kyng viij. yerdes, with Burbabull⁷ and all oþer thynges and customs to þe same londe perteynyng;
 And þe Ile of langeneye with all thynges perteynyng to hit, þe which Geffrey Chamburleyne of Glymtoin afore me⁸ to þe
 20 in-to almes grantid and quite-claymed; and j. hide of londe of Stauntoin þe which lieth at Hanborowgh by þe Brigge of Bladon as quene Adelide ȝafe hit to þe, for þe sowle of Kyng Henry my faduþ and with her charter conformed. Wherefore I wil
 24 and surely charge þat þe forsaide church and chanons þe forsaide tenauntries holde, well and in peece, worschipfully frely and quietly, with socke, sacke. tol, and them, and Infangenthesse,

About 1142. Grant and confirmation to Oseney, by Maud, empress, of

* leaf 17.

(a) Aldewere, exempted from quit-rent of 4s.;

(b) quit-rent of 5s. 5d. ½d. ¼d. (see no. 14);

(c) Langney;

(d) dowager-queen Alice's gift (no. 83);

with manorial jurisdiction.

¹ The Latin observes the Norman order, 'omnibus fidelibus suis, Francis et Anglis.'

² 'et liberorum meorum.'

³ Marginal note: 'The locke called aldewere.' Oseney rentals place it in St. Michael at South Gate parish. It was, perhaps, the lasher of that mill which afterwards became the mill of the Black Friars.

⁴ 'quos reddere solebant, de Langabulo per annum, de terra illa qu[a]e dicitur "Octovirgate regis" cum burgabulo et omnibus aliis rebus.' Landgable was a small payment to the Crown by certain houses in towns. Oseney charters indicate that perhaps one house in five paid it. In 1142 Oseney held about twenty houses in Oxford, the landgable of which amounted

to this 5s. 5½d. This landgable was collected by the bailiff of the king's property in Beaumont, called the 'Ehtyerds of the King,' 'octo virgate regis,' being two hides in extent. In the Pipe Rolls the allowance to Oseney of these exemptions of 4s. and 5s. 5½d. is regularly recorded.

⁵ In an original charter of King Stephen to Oseney (now at Christ Church) the word appears as 'Brugable.' It was a pre-Norman tax paid by certain houses for the right to brew. When (in 1280) the Cartulary was compiled, the scribe seems not to have known the meaning of the word, and to have tried to explain the word as 'burg-gable.'

⁶ i. e. in my presence: 'coram me.'

and all oþer customs and fredoms þe which they had whenne þey were in þe Kynges lordship. These witnesse, &c^o.

About
1225?
Quit-claim
to Oseney,
by William
(son of
Elias),
fisher,
of his in-
terest in
Aldwere.

[62.] To all cristen meñ to þe which this present wrytyng shaʃt come William fīst Helie fīsshe^r 1 helth in our lorde. 4 Knowe ye all me to haue relesed and quite-claymed, for me and myne heyres for eue^r, to Richard² Abbot of oseneye, my locke³ or goter þe which is i-callid Aldwere, and all my ryzgħt in hit þat I had or myzgħt haue. And þat [this] relese and quyte- 8 clayme be sure and stabuff for eue^r, This present wrytyng with my seele I haue i-strengthid. These witnessess, &c^o.

[X. Of the chapel of St. Thomas.]

Legend
that St.
Thomas's
church was
built be-
tween Sept.
and Dec.
1142.

[63.] Duryng 4 þe sege of þe castell of oxonforde of Kyng sthephyñ, þe which moolde themperice in þe saide castell longe 12 segid, was beeldid þe chapel of Seynte thomas (for þe parissions of Seynte George in-to þe castell myzħt not come ne entre): and hit is to be knowe þat hit was i-beeldid vppon þe flee of Seynte Walerye vppon þe halfe of þe x. and vij. acris þe which to vs 3afe 16 bernarde of Seynte Walerye, as hit is i-scheded by þe charter folowyng.

[NOTE.—This is not the place to discuss a very interesting, but most obscure, point in Oxford topography, as to which Anthony Wood himself is more than usually hesitating (*City of Oxford*, ii. 112-7). Still, since it is distinctly brought up in these documents, the facts may be briefly set down. (A) Between Oxford Castle and the site of Oseney stands St. Thomas' parish church, now, and for long back, the mother church of the west suburbs of Oxford: see Map at beginning of Wood's *City of Oxford*, ii. (B) No. 66 describes the founding of a chapel near the gate of Oseney. Were (A) and (B) separate or the same? What were the date and occasion of their foundation and refoundation, or dates and occasions of their foundations? Oseney tradition, set out in no. 63, may at once be dismissed. Could a church have been built, on the sudden inroad of war into Oxford west suburb, between Sept. and Dec. 20, 1142? Could a church have even been begun, almost within bow-shot of a hotly-besieged castle? The most probable solution of the difficulty is to take nos. 64 and 66 together, and no. 65 as referring to a distinct building. In no. 65 we have the grant by the diocesan of a semi-domestic chapel, apparently within Oseney island, probably destroyed at the dissolution. After Oseney, in 1152, obtained possession of St. George's in the Castle (no. 23), the abbey may reasonably be supposed to have provided a more convenient church for its large parish in the west suburb of Oxford. This would account for the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, which seems to be implied in no. 66.]

¹ 'piscator.'

² Probably Richard de Grey, abbot 1221-9.

³ Marginal note: 'The said locke.'

⁴ The heading in the Latin is, 'De

Capella sancti Thome.' In the English MS. there is a (later) marginal note here: 'Saint Nicholas Church.'

[64.] KNOWE all meñ bothe present and to be that [I], Bernarde of Seynte Walerye, zafe and grauntid, and with this present charter confermed, to þe church of god and of Seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þer seruyng god, halfe of x. and vij. acris and halfe j. acre of my lordeship in oseney, þe which lye at þe northie next to þe courte of þe same chanon̄s and to þe tenement, of þe which acris þe lenght Is i-strechid fro þe wey by þe which me goeth¹ fro Oseney to þe church of Seynte George, vnto þe water þe which rennyth to þe Millis of þe same chanon̄s, in-to fre and pure almys fro all seruice, sauynge þe ryȝht of oure lorde Kyng, for þe helth of my lorde Kyng Henry and myne and of Anor my wife and of Bernard my sone [and² of my other children and 'parents' and my friends, and specially for the soul of Reginald my son] and for þe sowles of my fadur and modur³ and of moolde my wife and of Symon my vncl and of oþer kennesfulkes⁴ and of my frendes, (and⁵ speciall for þe Sowle * of reynolde my sone). This yifte I made in þe Abbey of Oseney where I a-boode In a lente⁶.

About 1180.
Grant to Oseney, by Bernard of St. Valerie, of the mediety of 17½ acres beside Oseney.

* leaf 17, back.
[Lent at Oseney.]

[65.] To all cristen meñ to þe which þis present writyng shall come, Hugh⁷, by þe grace of god Bisshop of lincoln, helth euerlastyng in oure lorde. Knowe ye all owre beloued Sones Abbot and chanons of Oseney A chapel of oure assent and wille afore þe gate of here courte in þere owne grownde to haue i-made, to þat specially that in hit to þere seruantes and giftes⁸ or also to þere parisschons in⁹ that cooste dwellyng, whenne¹⁰ hit is goode to þeñ, diuine thynges to be done: and laste þe same brethriñ, by cause of this chapel, with vnryghtfull vexynges or exaccions here-after be i-weried, We decree þat chapel for Euer free to be fro Sinodall and to Enioy all þe Immunities þe which þe monastery Enioyeth. Þat this be rate and ferme with

About 1190.
Grant to Oseney, by the diocesan, of a chapel just outside Oseney gate, for use of servants and guests.

free from synodals, and privi-

¹ 'a via qua itur.'

² Added from the Latin. The repetitions are singular, and suggestive of forgery.

³ 'pro animabus patris et matris.'

⁴ 'parentum.'

⁵ The bracketed clause is brought in here by the translator, who had noticed his omission, as above.

⁶ 'cum moram facerem in ea in quadam quadragesima'; also suspiciously vague.

⁷ The witnesses—Stephen, chancellor of Lincoln; Roger of Rolueston (became dean of Lincoln 1195, died 1223); Nigel, dean of Oxford,—attach this to Hugh of Avalon, bishop 1186–1200.

⁸ Read 'gestes'; 'hospitibus.'

⁹ 'in ipso confinio.'

¹⁰ 'cum commodum eis fuerit, diuina celebranter.'

leged as
Oseney
itself.

this writyng and ouȝr seele puttyng to we avised to be strenghtid.
Þese witnesseses, ꝑ.

About
1222.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
the pope,
of a chapel,
possibly
dedicated
to St.
Nicholas.

[66.] HONORYE¹, Bisshoppe, *seruaunt* of þe *Seruautes* of
god, to þe beloued sooncs Abbot and Couent of Oseney helth and⁴
the apostls blessing. Þe apostell see is woned to graunte to þe
goode desires and honest praieres of axers beniuolente fauor
to parte². *Perfore*, ouȝr beloued Soones in ouȝr lorde, to yowȝr
ryȝhtfull praier Inclined; þe chapell of Seynte Thomas with⁸
his *pertinences*, all ye³ ryȝhtfully lawfully and pesible ye haue
hit, [to you], and by⁴ ȝow to yowȝr *monastery*, by thapostels
auctorite we conferme and with þe help of this writyng we
make hit stronge. *Perfore* to [no] maȝ vturly⁵ be hit lawfull¹²
this writyng of ouȝr confirmacion to breke or to hit come agayne⁶
with frowarde boldenyse: and if oony man that to assay wille
presume, indignacion of almyȝhty god and of þe Blessed apostls
petur and powle knowe þey þeiȝd-selfe to haue i-cumme inne.¹⁶
Þe Date at lateranne, ꝑ.

About
1200.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Thomas
of St.
Valerie,

[67.] Know þey that be present and to be þat I, Thomas
of Seynte Walerye, haue i-yeve, grauntid; and confermed with
my present charter, to god and to þe church of Blessid marye of²⁰
Osney and to þe chanouns þere *seruyng* god, for me and my wife
and for þe sowles of my faduȝr and my moduȝr and of my aun-
ceturs, in-to pure and perpetuelli almes, ij. sellions or buttes of
lond to a wey⁷ to be made at northoseney⁸ by þe Dicke of þe²⁴
londe of þe forsaide chanouns þe which⁹ Bernarde my fadur ȝafe
to þeiȝd with þe roses pathe¹⁰ that is bitweȝd þe forde that is
i-callid Uerforde¹¹ and þe londe of þe chanouns, þe wey In
lenght strecchyng hit-selfe fro þe forsaide forde vnto þe howse²⁸
þe which [was sometime] of Water lingedraper: þe forde also
(that is of my ryȝht), and¹² In eyþer [part] goyng vppe and
goyng downe with-out¹³ harmyng of my mede. And hit

of two
strips at
North
Oseney to
make a
road along-
side of the
land in
no. 64,
and of a
right of
ford there,
provided

¹ Honorius III, pope 1216-27.

² 'to graunte . . . to parte' translates
the one word 'impartiri.'

³ For 'all ye' read 'as': 'sicut.'

⁴ 'vobis, et per vos monasterio vestro.'

⁵ 'nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat.'

⁶ 'vel ei contraire.'

⁷ Marginal note: 'a wey.'

⁸ North Oseney (afterwards the site of
Rewley abbey) was an island, amid streams

of Thames, next Oseney to the North:
map ii. in Wood's *City of Oxford*, ii.

⁹ i. e. londe.

¹⁰ 'cum Roseo': possibly, the 'rushy'
path.

¹¹ Marginal note: 'Uerford.' Cotton
MS. reads 'Were-ford.'

¹² 'et, in utraque parte, ascensionem et
descensionem.'

¹³ MS. has 'downe with with oute.'

is to be know that I haue forgefe to þe same afore¹ many
 chanons of ferme of vj. d. if so moche be to be paid; And
 if cony thyng ouer þoo vj. d. to be paid, þey shaft paye hit
 4 to my cheker at þe fest of Seynte Myzghell. This wey, with þe
 Above-saide thynges, to þe forsaide chanons I graunte, to be
 holde of me and myne heyres, frely and quietly, weft and
 pesible for Euer, with-oute vexyng. And [pat] this my gifte
 8 and graunte sure & vnbroke abide, hit with þe witnesses of
 this present writyng and puttyng to of my seele, [1] þowght
 worpy to strenghte : þese witnesses, &c.²

that his
 meadow
 is not
 damaged.
 and that
 if the grant
 exceed 6d.
 in yearly
 value
 Oseney pay
 the excess
 as a quit-
 rent.

[XI. MEDLEY.]

[68.] Hit is to be remembred howe we haue Midleye and
 12 þe Wike and oþer pertinences of þe yifte of þe Burgesis of oxon-
 forde, paying to þe same for þe yifte and warantizyng j. marke
 of * siluer, þe which truly marke þe saide Burgesis asseyued to
 þe priory of frideswith [to² be paid by our hands, for the
 16 penalty laid on them] for þe deth of clerkes sumtyme hangid
 of³ þe same.

Note that
 Oseney and
 the Wyke
 were held
 of Oxford
 * leaf 18.
 town, at a
 quit-rent of
 13s. 4d.

[NOTE.—Two things, widely apart in time, are to be distinguished in this memorandum. First, is the conveyance (reason not stated) of Medley to Oseney by Oxford town in 1147, the quit-rent (no. 69) being 6s. 8d. Afterwards, this quit-rent was doubled (no. 70), on fresh warranty being given. A sufficient reason for this warranty is found in the claim made for possession of Medley by St. Frideswyde's priory (Wigram's *Cart. S. Frid.*, i. 36-8), which the town staved off (1191) by agreeing to pay 8s. yearly to the priory. In 1209 happened the 'suspensio clericorum,' for which the town was laid under interdict. In 1214, the town submitted and agreed to pay a sum yearly to the University through St. Frideswyde's and Oseney; changed in 1219, to through Einsham. The assignment of the 13s. 4d. quit-rent to St. Frideswyde's by the town is no doubt part of the 1214 arrangements. Wood's *City of Oxford*, i. 330, wrongly dates the affray in 1144, to make it coincident with the original conveyance of the island.]

[69.] Mydley : of the gyfte of the Citizens of Oxford. 1147.

Be hit i-knowe to all true men of holy church both present
 and to be that we, Citesyns of oxonforde, of þe commune of þe
 20 Cite and þe yelde of marchautes, for þe stabulnese of all þe

Grant to
 Oseney,
 by Oxford
 town,

¹ Read 'to the same afore-named
 chanons the ferme'; 'condonavi canonicis
 prenominaſis firmam.'

² Added from the Latin.

³ i. e. by them : 'ab eisdem.'

of Medley
island,

quit-rent
6s. 8d.

[Offering
upon the
altar.]

reame and state and welth of ou^r Kyng ande quene and of here
Soones also and for ow^r helth and of all ou^r and for þe Sowles
of ou^r sadurs and modurs and of ou^r aunceturs, yefe and graunte,
in-to perpetueſt almes, to þe church of god and of Seynte Marye 4
of Osney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, ou^r Ile þe which
is i-callid Midley, with all thynges to hit perteynyng In londes
& medes and in pastures, with all þe same liberteis and customs
þe which þere ow^r aunceturs ha^t with ffre grauntyng of Kynges, 8
and we after the^m, so napeles that euery 3ere þe same chanons
pay dñ. a marke of Siluer for that same tenure or holde¹ where
we shaft commaunde. This yevyng and grauntyng we haue
i-maade with þe commune assent in portemannet², and this we 12
made in þe chapiter of Oseney Afore þe chanons of þe same
place, and In þe presence of William Chenet ou^r Aldirmañ,
and³ by hym and afterwarde with hym vppon þe Auter with
texte we offerid hit. Of this 3ifte and graunte Witnisse 16
Edwarde⁴ Abbot of Thame: pese witnesses, ꝑ.

About
1192.
Confirm-
ation to
Osney,
by Oxford
town,

of Medley,
as in no. 69,

but with
6s. 8d.
added to
the quit-
rent be-
cause of
warranty
now given.

[70.] BE hit i-knowe bothe to meñ that be nowe and to be
þat we, Citisens of Oxonford, of þe commune of þe Cite and
of þe Marchaundis yelde, for ow^r helth and of ou^r and for 20
þe Sowles of ou^r kennesfolkes and of ou^r aunceturs, graunte,
and with ou^r present charter conferme, to þe Church of Seynte
marye of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, þe yifte
þe which ou^r aunceturs maade to þeñ of þe Ile of Midley with 24
his pertinences, so that Euery yere at þe fest of Seynte Migheſt
þe same chanons paye dñ. j. marke for þis tenure where we shaft
commaunde þeñ, as witnesseth þe charter of ou^r aunceturs þat
þey maade to þeñ of þe yifte of þe same Ile. fforþermore, for- 28
asmoclie as we haue i-take in ou^r hande, for vs and for ou^r
heyres, to warantize þe forsaide Ile to þe same chanons in
Euerych place and⁵ to all meñ, þey for this warantizynge shaft
paye to vs and to ou^r heyres Euery 3ere at Estur a-nojer 32
dñ. marke, þe which þey shaft take⁶ to whome we wille bidde;
and we and ou^r heyres sey3htfully shaft warantize to þeñ þe

¹ 'or holde' is an alternative rendering
of 'tenura.'

² 'portmannot.'

³ 'et per eum et postea cum ipso super
altare cum textu obtulimus.' Does 'cum

textu' refer to the oath on the gospels, as
in nos. 154, 219?

⁴ Should be Everard.

⁵ 'et versus omnes homines.'

⁶ 'tradent.'

forsaide tenement by þe service of þe forsaide marke yerly for all thynges and all seruices. This our grauntyng and confirmacion we haue i-made with þe communc counseil of þe Cite, and with þe comunall Seele haue i-confermed hit. And þese ben þey þe which þis grauntyng and confermyng haue i-made Nigell that tyme Deene of Oxonforde, John Kepeherme and Henry fift Sigrim þen Aldirmañ, laurence Kepeherme and thomas of tadmarton, þen pretores or pletoures¹, petur fift Geffrey, and othe², and all þe commune of þe Citisyns of þe Cite of oxonford.

[71.] HENRY, Kyng of Inglonde, Duke of Normandye and of Gien, and Erle of Aungie, to Robert³, Bisshoppe * of lincoln, and to þe Barons of oxonfordeshire and to þe Citisyns of oxonforde helth. Knowe þe me to haue i-grauntid, and to haue i-confermed, to þe church of god and of Seynte Marye of Osney and to pabbot and Couent þere seruyng god, for my helth and of myne, þat þifte þe which þe Citisyns of Oxonforde haue i-maade to þe church of Seynte Marye of Osney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god [of] þe Ile⁴ þe which is i-callid Midleye, so þat Euery þere þe forsaide chanons paye dñ. a marke of Siluer for þat tenure where þe same Citisyns witte commaunde, as þe charter of þe forsaide Citisyns witnesseth. Wherefore I wilth and⁵ Surely commaunde or charge þat þe chanons holde weith and In peece, and frely and worschipfully, nowe þe saide Ile⁶, as Euery⁷ oony mañ hit best or worschipfulliste helde. Witnisses Thomas⁸ owr chaunceler, Richard of Hum, Gocest. of Bayll. : at Sausburye.

About 1155.

* leaf 18, back.

Confirmation to Osney, by Henry II, of no. 69.

[XII.] WALTON.

[72.] HIT is to be membrid that pabbot of Osney hath in Walton Diuerse londes and tenementes perteynyng to þe Chapeil of Seynte George, as hit is i-schewed above in þe title of

Reference to

¹ Latin is simply 'tunc pretores.'

² Latin is 'etc.'

³ Robert de Chesney, bp. of Linc. 1148-

⁴ 'de insula.'

⁵ 'et firmiter precipio'; 'or charge' is an

alternative rendering.

⁶ 'iamdictam insulam.'

⁷ Read 'ever': 'unquam.'

⁸ Thomas Becket, chancellor 1154-62.

⁹ Joscelyne de Bailol.

nos. 2.
and 21.

'pe fundacion of pe saide chapell of Seynte George' and
in pe title 'How pe church of Seynte George was i-geve to vs.'

1192.

[73.] [Controversy] betwene Osney & Godstowe.

Contro-
versy
between
Osney and
Godstow,

about tithes
and parish
dues in
north
suburb of
Oxford,

ended by
Osney
conceding
them to
Godstow,

and God-
stow
promising
to offer
yearly
2 wax-
candles at
Osney as
homage.

To all pe soones of our holy modur pe church to pe which
this present writyng shall come, W. and W. of Cumbe and⁴
of Thame Abbotes, helth in our lorde Euerlastyng. Knowe
3e all pat whenne, bitwene pabbot and chanons of Osney ande
thabbesse and Minchons of Godestow, was i-stered¹ a con-
trouersie or strife, vppon pe tithis of men of pe forsaide chauns 8
and Walton and parissheis and tithis of xxti⁵ acris, pe chanons
saying pe same parissheis and tithis to longe to pe church
of Seynte George (pe which is pere owne) of olde ryght, and pe
Minchons affermyng pe same parissheis and tithis to longe 12
to pe church of Seynte Gile (pe which pey haue) of ryght:
at pe laste, this maner Ende² that controuersie or stryfe
fortunyed to take. Truly pabbot and Couent or chanons of
Osney, for pe love of god and of pe forsaide Mynchons religion 16
sake, grauntid to peim in-to perpetuall almes all pe forsaide
parissheis And tithis, of theim for Euer to be holde, payng
perof 3erely ij. Serges³ of iij. li. of waxe, pe which (semely
made or dizth⁴) vppon pe Auter of Seynte Marye of Osney in 20
pe vigile of pe Assumpcion of hef afore Euensonge pey ofte
to Offer. for this cawse we, to pe which our lorde pope Celes-
tine pe iij. this cause committid to be herde and (apell i-put
away) with dewe Ende to be termined, pis forsaide composicioin, 24
By p⁵ Autorite i-geve to vs by pe pope, conferme hit and [by]
pe puttyng to of our Seeles we make hit Sure: The which also
to more Surete, with pe seele of Bothe Chapiters Is i-strengthid.
This composicion was i-maade pe 3ere fro pe Incarnacion of our 28
lorde anno M^o anno⁵ C. iij. xx. xij.

¹ 'controversia verteretur': 'or strife,'
as usual, is an alternative rendering of the
Latinism.

² 'huiusmodi finem controversia ipsa

sortita est.'

³ 'duos cerocos.'

⁴ 'quos (decenter paratos).'

⁵ Dittography in MS.

[XIII. ETON.]

[74.] HIT¹ is to be Mynded pat we haue the towne of Eton of þe gifte of Robert Doylly þe soone of Nigeñ Doylly, with þe pertinences; and of þe confirmacion of Henry his soone, And of Kyng Henry þe first, and of Alixaundeŕ Bisshop of lincoln, and of pope Eugeny þe iij., as hit is aboue in þe title of 'þe fundacion of Oseneye.'

Reference
to nos.
12,
16,
13, 14,
18.

[75.] IN þe Baylifhoode of Eton² ben i-conteyned þese s vndur-write:—Eton, Carsinton³, Woodeton, þe Mill of Hule, Cudeslawe, fŕees, Hanborowgh, and Worton.

Water-
caton on
Cherwell.

[76.] [Controversy] betwene Osney & ffrys wys.

1227,
Jan. 19.

BE hit⁴ i-knowe to all meñ that when, bitwene Sire Richard Abbot and Couent of Osney of þe oon⁵ partie and Sir Symon prior and couent^{*} of Seynte ffrideswith of þe oper⁶ partie, was i-sterede a controuersie [vppon⁷ þe tithis] of þe Mille[s] of þe same chanons of Seynt ffrideswith, þe which Robert Hule helde in þe towne of Watereton; and vppon þe tithis of heye of þe mede to þe same Milles perteynyng; and vppon tithis of flsshynge perteynyng to þe same milles, whenne þe Article vppon þe same mille[s] and tithis in þe composicion i-begunne bytwene parties vppon þe tithis and oper thynges abode vndetermined: at þe last, þey consentid with oone wille vppon Maister Roger Cauntelow and mayster N. of þe Woode that by þem þe question shuld be determined: so, at þe last, strife and controuersie afore þen i-mevid in this maner frendely hit restid; that is to say, þat þe saide chanons of Seynte ffrideswith [in the name of tithes of the church of Cudelinton] shaft paye for þe saide tithes to þe chanons of Osney [ii. s.] zerey at þe fliest of Seynte Migheñ; and if hit hap that þe saide chanons of Seynte ffrideswith þe saide Milles to⁸ oony oper take, þen þei which take þe

* leaf 19.
Agreement
between
Osney and
St. Frides-
wyde's, as
to tithe of
Hulk mills,

a point left
unsettled
in no. 54,

that at any
time dur-
ing which
the priory
has the
mills in
hand &c.
yearly shall
be paid to
Osney in
commuta-
tion of
tithe,

¹ All the property, up to this point, had been 'in the bailiffship of Osney.'

² Nos. 74 and 75 are enclosed by a bracket, and noted 'Eton.'

³ i. e. Cassington.

⁴ Latin text of the St. Frideswyde's deed is given in Wigram's *Curt. S. Frid.*, ii. 211.

⁵ Added from the Latin.

⁶ An excellent place for the double meaning of *take* = (i) to give, (ii) to take. The Latin is: 'Si . . . canonici . . . molendina aliis quibuscunque *tradiderint*, tunc qui *receperint* illa molendina . . . solvant,' etc.

but when
the mills
are farmed
out the ten-
ant shall
pay tithe
to Oseney
in the
usual way.

St. Frides-
wyde's
servants in
the mills to
pay parish
dues to
Kidlington.

Milles, while pey holde þe[m] [shall pay] þe tithe[s] of þe for-
saide Milles mede and ffisshyng to þe saide chanons of Osney
(þe chanons of Seynte ffrideswith in þe mene-while fro þe
zevyng of þe saide ij. 3. Deliuere^d); but if þe same Milles with⁴
þe pertinences pey take agayne, lete¹ renne þen þe payng of
ij. 3. as afore, so þat no more, in þe name of tithis, of þe[m] al so
longe as pey holde þe[m] in þere handes may be axid. The
chanons of Seynte ffrideswith haue i-grauntid² also þat þere s
seruantes in þe forsaide Milles parisshe ry3ghtes to þe church of
Cudelyngton þertey[ny]ng (in þe parisshe of þe which þe Saide
Milles ben i-sette) doo, as pey haue i-woned³ and ofte². Þese
thynges were i-actid att Seynte ffrideswith afore þe saide Masters 12
R. and N. þe daye³ of Wode[n] nexte afore þe feste of Seynte
Vincente þe 3ere of þe Incarnaciō of owr lorde anno Mⁱ CC xxvij.
In-to þe strenght and wisse of þe which thyng þe forsaide
parties, to-gedu^r with þe Seeles of þe saide masters, to þis 16
present wrytyng put to þere seeles. Þese witnesses, &c².

1221.

[77.] A charter¹ of þe prior of Seynt ffrideswith and
of þe chanons of þe same place of þe sute of Eton.

Grant to
Osney, by
St. Frides-
wyde's that
Osney do-
mesne-land
and tenants
shall be
free
from suit,
and from
multure-
fines, to
Hule mills,

and that if
Osney or
Osney
tenants

To all cristen² me[n] to þe which þis present wrytyng shaft
come Symo[n] þe saide prior of Seynte ffrideswith and þe Couent
of þe same place helth in owr lorde. Knowe 3e all vs to haue 20
quyte-claymed³ and vturly to haue releed⁴ to pabbot and Couent
of Osney þe Sute of þere me[n] in Eton and Cudeslawe, now
beyng and to come, þe which Sute þey had i-woned⁵ to doo
of Olde to owr Mylle that Is i-callid Hulces Mylle, or⁶ of grace 24
or of Dewte, noþer⁶ neuer by þe olde chalenge getyng of custon²
comyng in þere gryndyng shaft chalenge, noþer of þe Demayne
of þe forsaide Abbot And Couent, and what-so-Euer of ry3ght
we haue in þe forsaide gryndyng of þe[m] or of þere aforsayde 28
me[n] we relese hit for Euer, with-out reclaymyng; And if
in oony tyme hit will please to þe forsaide Abbot and chanon²

¹ 'Curat praefata solutio dictorum ii. s. sicut prius.'

² 'Debuerunt.'

³ 'die Mercurii.'

⁴ Wigam, ii. 209-10, has Latin text both of the Osney grant by abbot Clement

(died this year, 1221), and of this St. Frideswyde's grant by prior Simon.

⁵ 'sive ex gratia sive ex debito.'

⁶ 'nec unquam, obtentu antique consuetudinis, aliquid in eorum molitura vendicabimus.'

or Couent of Oseneý¹ the maynye of here owne Courte of Eton, or þere meñ, for cawse of gryndyng, to ouŕ Mille Come, of no Sute Dewte, by such maner, we shaft axe or chalenge of þe
 4 forsaiðe maynye or meñ. And for this renuacyng and quite-claymyng, þe forsaiðe Abbot and Couent of Osney remittynge to vs ij. 3. þe which we paiðe to þem 3erely for certeyne tithis in El[s]efelde of oolde, þe forsaiðe Abbot and Couent shaft paye to
 8 vs 3erely halfe a marke of Siluer in þe ffest of Seynte My3ghett. And þese thynges of Both parties beth feythfully and spedely to be kepide we haue Surely behestid², with-oute Gile or Cauilla-cion. And that this Couenaunt betwene vs i-begunne abide
 12 sure and vnbroke, with þe surete of this present wrytynge and by puttyng to of owre seele we haue i-strenghtid hit. Þese witnesses,³ 1.

choose to have corn ground there, their doing so will not be made a pretext to revive the claims: Osney sur-rendering 2s. tithe-rent-charge in Elsfield and agreeing to pay 6s. 8d. yearly.

[78.] A composicion bitwene vs and þe Howse of Enesham of þe Demayne of amise in Karsynton⁴ & fisshyng in Wodeton.

1222,
June 21.

To all chiddren of ouŕ holy modur þe church to þe which
 16 this present wrytynge shaft coome, of Euesham & * Wynchechumbe Abbotes and prior of Euesham helth in ouŕ lorde. Knowe 3e
 all þe contrauersye þe which was i-stered afore vs, by þe
 auctorite of ouŕ lorde pope, bytwene thabbot and Couent of
 20 Eynysham of þe oone party, and thabbot and Couent of Osney of þe oper partie, vppon⁵ two sheves of tithis of þe Demayne of Amise of Wodestoke in Carsinton, and vppon a summe of
 24 iiij. yere of þe same, by a frendely composicion in this maner hit restid: that is to say, that þe saide Abbot and Couent of Eynysham with goode wille relesed to þe saide Abbot & Couent of Osney iiij. 3. iiij. d. of vj. 3. iiij. d. þe which þey axed of þem
 28 in þe name of þe fisshyng of Wodeton, þe which fisshyng þey grauntid to þe same chanons of Osney (that is to say, all þe parte of þere water of Wodeton, with þe fisshyng, fro þat place

* leaf 19, back. Osney and Einsham being at variance about certain tithe in Cassington, and arrears of rent of a fishery at Wood-eaton, Einsham accepted payment of 2s. in lieu of the arrears, and leased the fishery-rights to

¹ Insert 'that.' The Latin is: 'Si . . . placuerit . . . conuentui Oseneie familiam proprie curie . . . siue homines suos . . . accedere, nullius secte debitum, huiusmodi occasione, exigemus.'

² 'promissimus.'

³ Vivian, son of Ralph, sheriff of Oxford: which was 5-6 Henry III, 1220-2.

⁴ Marginal note: 'Kersynton and Wodeton.'

⁵ i. e., two-thirds of the tithe: see no. 21.

Oseney for 2s. yearly quit-rent, which Oseney paid by surrendering to Einsham a tithe-rent-charge of 2s. in Worton (no. 91). Einsham granted Oseney a 6 ft. strip along Chervell to make a dam, on condition that Einsham meadow shall suffer no harm.

Oseney granted Einsham a perpetual lease of Oseney tithes in Cassington for 6s. yearly. Penalty of £2 on the breaker of this agreement.

where þe water begynneth to be here¹ towarde yhtesleye vnto þat place where² in oolde tyme was a locke or goter, to an scluse to be maade, or locke if þey wilþ, or to oper necessarye vses to þenð) to be holde for ij. 3. 3erely for all exaccion for 4 Euer, for þe paying of þe which ij. 3. yerly þe saide chanons forsafe to þe saide Abbot and Couent of Eignysham ij. 3. 3erely þe which þey paied yerely to þe saide chanons for tithis of Worton. They grauntid also to þe forsaide Abbot and chanons⁸ a Brynke³ by þe water, in lenght⁴ of vj. fote, fro þe locke or goter vnto þe Arable londe, þe which Brynke (if þey make þere a goter or locke), or⁵ wilþ arere vp An scluse of here londe and wilþ kepe hit in all tyme, þey shaft so kepe hit, so (þat is to 12 say) that by noo goyng ouer of water or oony oper withstandyng (while þe saide chanons make hit) to þe mede of þe saide Munkes maye harme come; And if by-cawse⁶ þere come hyn-deryng⁷ þerof, þe saide chanons, withoute differryng⁸ or occasiõ, 16 competently shaft Amende hit. And þe forsaide chanons haue i-grauntid to þe forsaide Abbot and Munkes þe saide tithis of Carsynton, to be holde of them for euer to fferme, for vj. 3. of sterlynges 3erely at two termes to be i-paied, þat is to saye, at 20 þe ffirst of My3ghelmasse iij. 3. and at Estur iij. 3. and if oony of þe saide parties agaynste þe saide composicion be come, to þe opere partye he shaft paye þe peyne of xl. 3. and that this composicion be Sure and stable for Euer, hit with our Seeles, to- 24 gedur with þe seeles of þe parties, we haue i-strenghtid. Theso thynges were i-doo In þe vigile of Seynt Albon prothomartir of Inglonde in þe church of Seynte Marye Mawdefen of oxonforde, þe 3ere fro þe Incarnacion of our lorde, anno M⁴CCxxij. These 28 witysses, 1.

¹ i. e. theirs; 'sua.'

² 'ubiantiquitus gurgis fuit, ad faciendam ibi exclusam, vel gurgitem, si voluerint, vel ad alios usus sibi necessarios.'

³ 'ripam secus ipsam aquam.'

⁴ Read 'breadth.'

⁵ The translation here breaks down by neglecting the change from the subjunctive to the indicative. Read 'if they there shall make a look or exclude, they must

raise that bank (ripa) with their own earth, and keep it always mounded up (elevatam), in such wise that no hurt shall happen to Einsham mead, by overflow of water (inundatio) or damming of the stream (obstaculum) caused by Oseney.'

⁶ 'si forte.'

⁷ i. e. harm: 'detrimentum.'

⁸ deferring: 'dilacione.'

[XIIII.] CUDESLAWE AND FFREES¹.

[79.] A Charter of Robert Doylly þe secunde, of Cudeslawe and ffrees.

Professedly 1149?

BE hit i-knowe to all cristen men that I, Robert Doylly, wyllyng and consentyng Edithe my wife and my soones Henry and Gilbert, þese and graunt, in-to pure and perpetuell almes, 1.
 4 Et Infra, 'thre hides of londe in Cudeslawe, with men, tithis, and oþer pertinences; and þe Chapell of ffrees, with þe mansion and londe agaynste þe Chapell towarde þe west, with ffedynges and pasturis and his oþer pertinences,' &c². Seke this charter
 8 in þe title 'Howe þe church of Seynte George was i-þese to þe chalons of Osneye.'

Excerpt from the pretended grant to Osney by Robert Doyly II, of ffrees chapel (belonging to St. George's church) as in no. 21.

[NOTE.—Nos. 79 and 80 bring us back into the circle of forgery and blunder. ffrees (no. 79) was not a Doyly property at all, but belonged to the St. Valerie family. Roger of Ivri, who died before 1100, is made, in the title of no. 80, to confirm a grant by Robert Doyly II, who did not come into his estate till after 1115.]

[80.] A confirmacion of Roger of Iuory of þe same.

'KNOWE þey that be present and to come þat * I, Roger of Iuory, for þe helth of our lorde Kyng and of all þe Reame and
 12 also for þe helth of my lorde Robert Doylly and of Aldithe his wife and þe helth of myne, haue i-grauntid and with my present charter haue i-confermed' as hit is i-write above in 'þe fundacion.' Also hit is to be notid that we haue confirmacion of
 16 Geffrey of Iuorye vppon þe same aforseide, and many oþer confirmacions of þe same also.

* leaf 20. Excerpt from no. 3.

and reference to no. 22.

[81.] A charter i-yeve to Richard, Erle of Cornwayle, of þe commune In Erdynton.

About 1245.

To all cristen men to þe which this present writyng shall come, ffreere John², By þe mercy of god Abbot of Osney, and
 20 þe Couent of þe same place, helth. Knowe 3e all that whenne lorde Richard Erle of Cornwayle had i-grauntid to vs a mese that Adam porter³ helde sumtyme with his pertinences at ffrees,

Undertaking by Osney, to accept a mesuage at ffrees, without claiming

¹ The MS. draws triple attention to this section—by a marginal note 'Note Cudeslawe And ffrees,' by ink-markings in the heading, and by an elaborate sketch of a hand, opposite no. 80, pointing upwards. Wood's *Life and Times*, i. 217-8, describes Price as a pasture-ground on the south

borders of Yarnton and Kiddlington parishes.

² John de Reading, abbot 1229-35, or John Leech, abbot 1235-49.

³ 'pontarius' in the Latin. Thomas of St. Valerie had bound Osney to keep up the causeway (calcia) at ffrees. This Adam probably attended to that duty.

pasture-
rights in
Yarnton.

we bownde vs to þe same and to his heyres by our present writyng that, by-cawse of þe saide mese with þe pertynences, commune of pasture in his maner of Erdyngton we maye not axe. In-to witnesse of þe which thynges we haue i-put to oure seele, ꝑ. 4

About
1260.

[82.] A charter bitwene vs and Water of Croxforde of þe crofte of þe ffrees.

Grant by
Osney, to
Walter of
Croxford
and heirs,

of land at
Frees,

at quit-
rent of
6s. 8d.,

tenants to
pay all
burdens,

and not to
convey the
land to
others: re-
peated in
no. 106.

KNOWE all meñ that in this wise hit was a-Cordid bitwene Richard¹ Abbot of Osneye and þe Couent of þe same place of þe oone partie, and Water Croxforde of þe oper, that is to say, that þe seide Abbot and Couent lete² and toke, to þe saide 8 Water and to his heyres, a crofte, or þat telth, þe which is agaynste þe Chapell of ffrees of þe west partie, with Dichis, medis, and oper pertynences: to be holde and had, to þe forsaide Water and to his heyres, to perpetuell fee-ferme, zeldyng perof 12 3erely to þe saide Abbot and Couent dñ. a marke at Osney, that is to say, in þe Daye of Seynte Myzghett or a-fore xl. d. and in þe day of þe Annunciacion of owr lady Seynte marye or a-fore xl. d.; and þe same Water and his heyres shaft susteyne and 16 aquite all burdonz towchyng þe same crofte or telth with his owne costis; and hit shaft not be lawfull to þe saide Water and to his heyres þe saide crofte or telth to sell 3efe or bequeth to oony mañ or in oony wise to aliene. [And if] that he doo or 20 his heyres doo, hit shaft be lawfull to þe forsaide Abbot and Couent and to here successours þe saide crofte or telth to Entre and to haue for Euer, withoute Impediment or lett of þe saide Water or his heyres: and³ þat [this] dimission or lettyng and 24 of perpetuell farme takyng be sure and stable for Euer, [þe] parties to þis writyng in maner of A charter i-maade, Eueryche agaynste oper haue i-put to þere seeles. These withnysses. ꝑ.

[XV. HANBOROWGH.]

About
1140.

Grant to
Osney, by
queen-

[83.] A charter of quene Adelide of Hanborowgh.

ADELIDE⁴, By þe giace of god, quene of Inglonde, to Archie- 28 bisshops Bisshops and Abbotes Erlys Barons and Vicountes, and

¹ Richard of Apletre, abbot 1254-67.

² 'dimiserunt et tradiderunt.'

³ 'et ut h[a]ec dimissio et perpetue firme

tradicio.'

⁴ Adelicia of Louvaine, second wife of Henry I (died 1135), died 1151.

to all true men of holy church helth. Knowe ye that I Adelide, Dowghter of Godfray Duke of loreyne¹, þe which was wife of þe moste noble Kyng Henry of Inglonde and Duke of Nor-
 4 mandye, haue i-grauntid and i-geve to þe church of Seynt Marye in Oseneye, j. hide of londe þe which lieth at Hanborowgh and longeth to Saunton² my maner, for þe Remedye of þe Sowle of þe mooste noble Kyng Henry of Ingland my lorde and my
 8 helth and³ of kynnesfolkes of his and Mynz and for þe Sowles of all cristen men dede. Wherefore I wil and praye þat weþ and in peece & worschipfully *þe forsaide londe þe forsaide church holde, as my lorde Henry Kyng of Ingland euer best
 12 and moste honestly in his lordeship helde and aftur to me in þe same lordeship 3afe and grauntid to me, that is to say, in woode and In playne, In medes and ffedynges, in waters weyes and In
 patthis, and in all oper places, with sock and sack, tol and
 16 team, and Infangenthef, and all oper customz and fredoms, as I held hit best while hit was in my lordeship. Witnesse: Symon, Bisshop of Wircetw, ꝑ.

dowager
Alice,

of a hide,

* leaf 20,
back.

with
manorial
privileges
and juris-
diction.

[84.] A⁴ confirmacion of Moolde themperice of þe Same
 20 after þe forme of quene Adelide; and so after, a confirmacion of Kyng Henry, and a-noper of Kyng John, worde by worde in substaunce. This charter and tweyne afore been fully write above in þe title of 'Aldewere.'

Reference
to no. 61,
&c.

[85.] A confirmacion of Kyng Henry⁵ iiij. þ³ soone
 of Kyng John of þe same and of oper thynges.

1231,
July 14.

24 HENRY, By þe grace of god Kyng of Inglonde lorde of Ireland Duke of Normandy and of Gyeid and Erle of Aungie, to Archie-
 bisshops Bisshops Abbotes Priores Erles Barons Justices Vicountes
 Prouestes Mynsters and to all Baylyfs and his true men helth.
 28 Knowe 3e vs, for god sake and for þe helth of our sowle and of
 þe sowles of our aunceturs and heyres, to haue i-3elded, haue
 i-grauntid, and with this our charter haue i-confermed, for vs
 and owre heyres, to thabbot and Couent of Seynte Marye of
 32 Oseney and to here successours, in-to fire almes pure and per-

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by Henry
III,

¹ 'Lotharingie.'

³ 'et parentum suorum et meorum.'

² 'Stanton' in the Latin, i. e. Stan-
ton Harcourt.

⁴ Marginal note: 'Nota.'

⁵ i. e. Henry III: see note 5, p. 36.

of queen
Alice's gift
(no. 83);

and of ex-
changes of
18s. and
6s. rent-
charges in
Bensington
for lands in
Holcombe
and War-
borowgh.

petueſt, þe yiſte and¹ graunte þe which Adelide or Alice ſumtyme
quene of Inglonde maade, to god and to þe church of Seynte
Marye of Oſeney and to þe chanon² þere ſeruyng³ god, [of] j.
hide of londe þe which heth at Hanborowgh⁴ By the Brygge of⁵ 4
Bladoñ. we haue i-zelede alſo, and haue i-grauntid, and with
this owr charter confermyd, for vs and owr heyres, to þe forſaide
Abbot and Couent and to here ſuccessours, in-to fre pure and
perpetueſt almes, þe londe of Holcumbe⁶ þe which Geffrey of 8
luory² aſſyned to them for xviij. s. þe which þey oftyd³ zerelely to
haue in Henſyntoñ³, with þe londe of Wareborowgh¹ þe which
þe ſame Geffrey aſſyned to þenn for vj. s. Wherefore we wiſt
and ſurely charge þat þe forſaide chanous and þere ſuccessours 12
haue and holde, in-to free pure and perpetueſt almys, þe for-
ſaide hide of londe þe which lieth at Hanborowgh, and þe
forſaide londe of Holcumbe, with þe forſaide londe of Ware-
borowgh, weſt and in pece, frely and quietly and holy, as þe 16
charter of þe forſaide Geffrey and þe confirmation of Kyng
Henry owr Beeleſire, þe which þey haue perof, reſonably wit-
neſſen. Theſe witneſſes, 1.

1248,
Nov. 7.

[86.] A Jugement i-made afore þe Juſtices of owr lorde
Kyng Henry¹ þe ſone of Kyng John of þe londe of
Hanborowgh.

Hit is to be Remembrid¹ that in þe 3ere of Kyng Henry þe 20
ſoon of Kyng John xxxiiij., þe next ſaturday afore þe feſt of
Seynt Martyn, afore Jeremye Kacstoñ, Henry of Bretoñ², and
Henry de la Mare, Juſtices ſittyng in þe ſtede of owre lord þe
Kyng, Hit was I-Jugged³ for þabbot of Osneye of A plowe of 24
londe with þe pertinences In Hanborowgh;

vppon þe which owre lorde Kyng impletid hym in his courte
by breue 'preceipe,' of þe which ſuch was þe tenour, Henry By
the grace of god Kyng of Inglonde, 1. to þe ſchereref of oxon- 28
ſorde-shire he[1]th. Commaunde thabbot of Oſeney that he zelede
to vs a plowe of londe with þe pertinences In Hanborowgh,
and⁴ but he do, ſumne hym by a goode ſumnyng that he be
afore vs fro þe day of Seynt Mygghel in-to þe xv. Dayes to 32

Henry III
having
claimed for
the Crown
the hide (in
no. 83),

¹ Name noted in the margin.

² In error for 'Inoy.'

³ In error for 'Bensington.'

⁴ Marginal note: 'Henry 3.'

⁵ Bretton (or Bracton).

⁶ 'et nisi fecerit, summone eum.'

schewe whye he schall not Doo hit; and haue þu þis brefe.

* Myne owne selfe witnessse, ꝛ.

* leaf 21.

that þe same Abbot, By þe charter of Adelide or Alis sum-
 4 tyme queene of Inglonde, and By þe charter of Moolde themperice,
 and By confirmacion of Kyng Henry, and by confirmacion of
 Kyng John, And By charter of Kyng Henry nowe reynyng (by
 the which þe same Kyng to pabbot and chanon^s of Oseney þe
 8 same londe with þe pertinences zeldyng¹ as his ry3ght) full
 ry3ght hath in þe same, & hath and holdeth in-to free and
 perpetuell almes, after þe tenour of þe charters aforesaide, as²
 hit is in þe sesynyng; and that Adam Berners, chanon, attor-
 12 neye of þe same Abbot, yed³ with-owte daye. These pynges
 were i-doo of passent of ow^r lorde Kyng selfe, of þe counsell of
 his counsellers þen beyng present with ow^r lorde Kyng, that
 is to say, John Maunsel; Robert passell; Raph ffyt Nicholl;
 16 Bertram of Orrell; Peter chaceporter, Kynges tresorer; Edward
 of Westmynyster, chaunceler of þe Checur; And hit is to be
 i-Mynded that ow^r lorde Kyng apered⁴ by his attorneye, laurence
 of Beoc⁵, to here þe Juggement, þe which also abode In þe
 20 mercy of Kyng.

Oseney pro-
 duced its
 title-deeds
 (nos. 83,
 61, &c.)

and the
 confirma-
 tion (no.
 85),

and was
 confirmed
 in posses-
 sion.

[87.] A charter agaynste John of Hanborowgh and William of Seynte Eweyne of þe Shepehowse. About 1240.

Be hit i-knowe to all men that whenne, bytwene John of
 Hanborowgh and William of Seynte Eweyne of þe oon^o partie,
 and John⁴ Abbot and Couent of Oseney of þe oþer partie, was
 24 i-moved a controuersye vppon a Shepehowse of þe same chanon^s
 at Hanborowgh (þe^o which⁵ þe same [John] saide hit leuyed⁶ to
 nothyng of his ffree tenement), and vppon ouercharyng of
 pasture in þe same towne: at þe laste, by counsell of worthy
 28 men, all þe strifes i-moved restid in-to this maner,

that is to say, þat þe forsaide John all his quarell, that he
 had, or my3ght haue, by þe occasion of þe saide shepehowse, to
 þe saide chanon^s, for hym and his heyres for Euer, remittynge⁶

Contro-
 versy be-
 tween
 Oseney,
 and two
 inhabitants
 of Hand-
 borough,
 about a
 sheep-
 house, and
 pasture-
 rights,

¹ Read 'yelded': 'reddidit.'

² 'sicut est in seisinā.'

³ 'Broc.'

⁴ Probably John Leche, abbot 1235-49.

⁵ 'quam dicebat idem Iohannes levatam

[esse] ad nocumentum liberi tenementi sui.'

⁶ Read 'remitted,' 'remisit': 'or re-
 leased' is the translator's usual alternative
 addition.

ended by
Oseney
giving half-
an-acre in
exchange
for land
beside the
sheep-
house ;

undertak-
ing not to
send an
excessive
number of
beasts to
common
pasture ;
and paying
13s. 4d.,
and 6s. 8d.

or relesid by a chaunge¹ i-maade Bytwene parties, pat is to say, that þe said Abbot and Couent, for a Butte² of londe of þe same John by þe which þe seide Shepewhse whas i-sett, þey zafe to hynd and to his heyres, in-to a perpetuefl Escaunge, dj. acre, 4 that is to say, In telth þe which is i-callid longelonde by a noper dj. Acre of þe same chanonð.

The forsaide also John and William þe accion vppon þe ouer-chargyng vppon þe pasture i-moved relesed, so (that is to say) 8 þat þe saide Abbot and Couent to þe saide John & William grauntid that [they³] þe pasture of þe feldes of Haneborowgh agaynste þe lawe shall not ouer-charge hit, so þat napeles þe same chanonð haue free goyng⁴ away to here commune pastures 12 owtewaide to all here bestes and Bestialles withoute lett of John and William and þere heyres ; and for this graunte, Eschaunge, and relese, þey zafe to þe saide John j. Marke and to þe saide William dj. marke. In-to witnyssse of þe which thyng to this 16 present writyng þey put to þere seeles : These wittenesses, ꝑ.

About
1270.

[88.] A charter of Willyam of Seynte Eweyend of þe londe in þe felde of Hanborowgh and of þe mede of Cumede.

Grant to
Oseney, by
William of
St. Ewen,

of land and
meadow,

* leaf 21,
back.

KNOWE they that be now and to be that I William of Seynte Eweyne, soone and liey of William of Seynte Eweyend, zafe, grauntid, and with this present charter confermed, to god and 20 to þe church of Seynte Marye of Oseney and to William Abbots and to þe chanonð þere seruyng god and for Euer to serue, that telth in þe fælde of Hanborowgh þe which is i-callid þe Breche, with hayis and his oper pertinences, and a Mede þe which is i- 24 callid Cumede, with þe pertinences, * þe which Water of New fforest sumtyme helde ; and vj. acris in le Brech, with hayis and his oper pertinences, þe which liend by þe londe of [Adam] de la Dunhalle of þe Est partie ; and þat telth In þe Prech, with 28 hayes and his oper pertinences, þe which lieth by Hugh of Blowende of þe weste partie In þe same fælde : to be had and to be holde, to þe forsaide church and Chanonð, of me and of my heyres, In-to ffre and perpetuefl almes, also so much as longeth 32

¹ i. e. exchange : 'per escambium.'

² MS. has 'for A But a Butte.'

³ i. e. (the Abbots & convent) 'contra egerem terre non super(h)onerabunt.'

⁴ 'accessum et regressum ad communes pasturas suas extrinsecas ad omnia averia sua et pecora.'

to me and to my heyres, ȝeldyng þerof ȝerely for me and my heyres to þe heyres of Water of Newe florest xj. s. iij. d. (that is to say, at þe ffest of Seynte Myȝhell v. s. and at þe ffest of
 4 Seynte John þe Baptiste vj. s. iij. d.) for all thyng þe which of þat londe or for þat londe may¹ or shall mowe to be axid for Euer. And I William and my heyres or myne assines all þe
 8 cristen men and Juys as our pure almes shall warantize, & of all maner Sutes of Courte and fforeyne seruice shall aquite and defende, outetake þe xj. s. iij. d. þe which þe saide chanon shall aquite as hit is afore i-saide. And þat this my yifte, graunte,
 12 and of my charter confirmacion, be sure and stable for Euer, to this wrytyng I haue i-put my seele. These witnesse, ȝ.

subject to
 118. 3d.
 quit-rent
 to the chief
 lords.

[Warranty
 against
 Jews.]

[XVI.] WORTON.

[89.] Thabbot of Osney hath þe londe of Worton of þe yifte of Robert Doylly; and confirmacion of Roger of Iuorye,
 16 and of Henry Doylly, and of Bissshops, and of þe chapiter² of lincoln, and of Kynges of Inglande, as hit is i-schewed In þe title 'How þe church of Seynte George was i-ȝese to þe chanon of Osney.'

Reference
 to nos. 2,
 21, 3, 23,
 &c.

[90.] Bourton³. The Booke of fleys seyeth þat thabbot of Osney holdeth ij. hides of londe and dȝ. in Borton in-to fire almes of þe pretende of Seynte George.

Worton:
 see in
 no. 21.

20 [91.] B. by þe Grace of god Bissshop of⁴ lincoln or of Exceter and John⁴ Deen of Chichester to all cristen men helth. Knowe ȝe all a stryfe (þe which was longe i-stered bytwene thabbot of Eynesham and N. clerke of Karsynton and thabbot

About
 1170.
 Agreement
 between
 Osney, and
 Einsham,

¹ 'exigi potest vel poterit.'

² MS. repeats 'of the chapiter.'

³ 'Bourton' must be in error for 'Worton,' where Osney held 2½ hides. Osney had land at (Black-)bourton, but not of that extent, nor would it come in this *titulus*.

⁴ 'of Lincoln or' is inserted by the

translator and 'L' expanded to John, without warrant of the Latin. The names are Bartholomew, bishop of Exeter 1161-84; and Jordan de Meleburn, dean of Chichester up to 1178. The first of the witnesses is Simon, abbot of St. Alban's 1166-88.

about
tithes in
Worton,

Einsham
taking a
perpetual
lease of the
tithes at
quit-rent
of 2s. (see
no. 78).

of Oseney vppon tithis of j. hide of londe in Worton þe¹ which is i-sayde to be þe lordeship of þe same litufl towne) In this maner in owr² presence, be transaction, to be decidid: that þe church of Eynesham þe forsaide tithis shall holde for Euer, 4 þerof zeldyng euery zere to þe church of Oseney ij. s. at þe ffest of Seynte Myzghett. So truly, afore vs [the which] (of owr² lorde þe pope commaundement) that cawse to be i-know and i-termined³ hade i-hake² hit, ffeyth of eyper parte i-plyzght betwē þem: 8 at Newberye hit was i-doo.

1259,
Nov. 26,

[92.] An Inquisicion i-maade in þe hundrede of Wotton of þe ffredoms or liberteyes of þe same.

On inquisi-
tion,

whether
Oseney and
its tenants
(in Worton
and Hens-
ington)
owed suit
to Wotton
hundred,
Oseney pro-
duced nos.
13 and 31

* leaf 22.

establis-
hing exemp-
tion.

HIT is to be remembrid that, whē þer was i-maade an Inquisicion In þe full hundrede of Wotton by þe commaundement of owr² lorde Kyng Henry þe soone of Kyng John þe zere of his 12 reyne xliiij., in þe full hundred of Wotton, Weper pabbot of Oseney and his meñ of Worton and Hensynton oftid⁴ or were i-wonyd to do sute to þe forsaide hundred, ffirere William Sutton, procuratour of Oseney, schewed charters of lordis Kynges of 16 Inglonde of liberteis or ffredoms, that is to say, a charter of Kyng Henry þe j., and A charter of Kyng Henry þe Sone of Kyng John, In þe which openly was i-conteyned that thabbot of Oseney and his meñ of Worton and of Hensynton be quite 20 of Schires, Hundredis, Danyzeldes, all maner Sutes, commune pleys, (with Sock sack * tol and theam and Infangenthefe), and of all maner exaccions and Demaundis, outetake murthu^r i-preued⁵. The which also i-rede and i-vndurstande, þe hundrede 24 with oone assent and consent Juggid þe saide Abbot and all his meñ of Worton and of Hensynton of all maner of Sutes of þe hundrede of Wotton to be quite for Euer. And in-to wnesse of this thyng Robert Kyngton, þeñ Baylyfe of þe hundrede of 28 Wotton, and Sir Gilbert of Hide, Knyzght, and Robert Romely, and Aleyne Romely þe yongur, and Robert of Worton⁴, and

¹ 'qu[a]e dominium eiusdem villule esse perhibetur.'

² So in MS. The Latin shows 'h' ought to be 't,' and the stroke over 'a' to be a bungled correction of the error: ead 'i-take.' 'Coram nobis, qui ex

domini pape mandato causam illam cognoscendam terminandamque suscepimus.'

³ Marginal note: 'Note þe ffredoms of Worton and of Hensynton.'

⁴ Wotton, in the Latin.

William of lituff Bartoñ, clerke, and Petur of þe same, and Roger of Wodestoke, and John of Bartoñ, clerke, and John labanc, and Thomas of ffule¹ and Will., þe which at þe hundred were present whenne þe fore thynges were Inquired or axid and Juggid, to this writyng put to þere seeles þe day that is to say of Wodenysday afore þe fest of Seynte Andrew þe 3ere of þe reyne of Kyng Henry þe soone of Kyng John xliij[j]².

[93.] A confirmacion of Syr Hugh Plesettis of liberteyes and fredoms. 1300, June 8.

- 8 To all cristen meñ this present writyng to see or to here, Hugh of plesettis³, Knyzth, helth in owre lorde. Knowe 3e me to⁴ haue i-lokyd or seen þe charter þat which Robert Doylly maade to god and to seynte Marye and to þe chanonñ of Oseney, 12 conteynyng these wordis:—
- Know all cristen meñ that I, Robert Doylly, grauntid and with my charter confermed, for me and my heyres, to god and to þe church of Seynte Mary of Oseney and to þe chanonñ per 16 seruyng god and for Euer to serue, for my helth and of Edith my wife and my kynnesfolkes and of my ffrendes, in-to ffre pure and perpetueñ almes, all londes rentes tithis tenementes and possessionñ both of þe church and of þe layfee þe which þey 20 haue off my 3ifte and of þe 3iftes of my meñ, and þe which of me or my heyres or my meñ they maye gete in tyme to be, in all [my] maners, with all fredomñ⁵ and free customñ þe which I Euer had or oony of my aunceturs or in tyme to be maye gete 24 or oony of my heyres maye gete. I grauntid also to þe same chanonñ and to here successours, for me and my heyres, that þey haue per courte for Euer ffre in all my maners⁶ of all þere meñ for all maner transgressions and Defautes where-so-Euer 28 and whenne-so-Euer and of what-Euer thyng þe[y] happe; And that þey and þere meñ be quite for Euer fro all maner sutes of

Recitation,
by Hugh of
Plessets,

of no. 39, i.e.
of Robert
Doyly II's
renuncia-
tion of
feudal
rights over
Oseney,

¹ 'Fulewelle': no 'and Will.' occurs in the Latin. Possibly the translator meant 'Fullandwell,' for 'Fulwell.'

² Marginal note: 'Henry 3.' The year is xliiv in the Latin, and above.

³ Hugh of Plessets succeeded (no. 260) in 1291 to the barony of Hooknorton (formerly of the Doyly family); was

summoned to Parliament as baron in Feb. 1333; died 1301.

⁴ 'inspexisse cartam.'

⁵ Marginal note: 'Note þe fredoms of þe founder.'

⁶ In the margin: 'Cudelynton' with underneath a carefully drawn hand pointing to it.

my courte and of my heyres, and of vywe [of] freplegges all¹
 courte riall, and of poo thynges that longe to vywe, and of all
 sutes of my Milles, and of all helpes tallages exaccions quarels
 and demandis; And [if] for flyght or felonye oony of pere meñ⁴
 ofte to lese his cataill, pey shall be of pe same chanons, withoute
 oony withholdyng to me or of my heyres; and if² pere tenauntes
 of pe same chanons haue be i-founde or i-arested I graunte for
 me and my heyres to pe saide chanons and to pere successours⁸
 what-so-Euer thyng pere² mowe to fall for Euer; Also, if they
 or pere meñ be amerced agaynst me or my heyres or my
 baylyffes or my meñ, for oony maner cawse trespass or forfet, all
 pe mercynges and mercementes and all fynys and all profettes¹²
 and all owte-goynges of pleys pe which come forth of them or
 of pere meñ shall be of pe same chanons, withoute oony with-
 holdyng to me or to my heyres, wheper hit be for a defawte or
 for oony oper cawse. I haue i-grauntid also to pe same chanons¹⁶
 and to pere successours that no^{per} I, no^{per} my eyres, no^{per} none
 In owre name, no^{per} of ow^{re}, maye hereafter axe of p^a forsaide
 chanons or of he^r successours or of pere meñ ony custom or
 seruite or bondage, no^{per} to put pere meñ in presoñ or in-to²⁰
 bondys or in-to stocke for oony trespass or forfet, but with
 open thefte or manslaughter vppon^{*} my demayne londis pey
 haue be take and attached. I will also and surely charge, for
 me and my heyres, pat pe forsayde chanons and pere successours²⁴
 and pere meñ haue well and in pece, In all my maners wodes
 and waters pondys and fischynges, fre fisshyng and fre Entre
 and owte-goyng and pannage of pere hogges quyte (oute-take
 styvys and my parkes i-closid in): and [that] pey haue ffre²⁸
 commune to pere shepe and hogges, and to all oper bestis In all
 my maners and in woodis, and [that] pey be not Imparkid or
 poynyd but pey be i-founde In open harme: that, if hit happe,
 by a wedde³ pey maye receyue pere bestes; and after, by pe vywe³²
 of lawfull meñ, pe harme pat pere bestes haue i-doo, owte [of]
 my courte, pey may make to [be] emendid. To pese thynges
 I haue i-grauntid, for me and my heyres, pat pey haue housboote

* leaf 22,
back.

¹ 'all' in error for 'or.' In no. 39, p. 43/15 the corresponding clause is 'and of lawday.' The court-leet represented the delegated jurisdiction of the king

exercised by the lord of the manor.

² Lines dropped out: cp. no. 39, p. 43/21, 22, 23, 24.

³ i. e. surety.

and heyboote and to be i-brendid resonably at þere granges in my woodys In þoo places where I haue woodys. Also I graunte, for me and my heyres for Euer, þat þe saide chanon̄s and þere
 4 successours may chese to þeṁ and ordeyne a prelate to þere wilf after þe decese of Euery prelate, with-oute lette of me or of my heyres: and þat þey may put, haue, and doo away, In all here granges, kepers suche as þey seme expedient to þeṁ and
 8 þere howse: and that this my gifte, graunte, and charter confirmacion, be stable and sure for Euer, to this wrytyng I haue i-put my seele. These witnesses: Geffrey arthor, Roger of Amery, flulke of Oyly, Hugh of Tywe, Robert flizt Widoṁ, philippe of
 12 Hampton, Raph flizt Raph, Roger testarde, Roger of Amory, and oþer.

for þis¹, I, þe forsaid Hugh of plesettis, all þe giftis grauntes and confirmacions above i-write, as hit is above i-write, I-maade
 16 to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of Osney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, hauyng² i-confermed and plesid, for me and my heyres, them to god, to þe church of Seynte marye of Osney above-saide, and to þe chanon̄s In hit seruyng god,
 20 graunte, ande for Euer-more with this present wrytyng conferme. In-to witesse of this thyng this present wrytyng with my seeles prynting I haue i-strengthid hit. These witnysses: Henry thisteldene, that tyme shreve of Oxonforde; John of
 24 Elfesfelde³, Richard of Amory, John of prewes, Walter of Wyghthull, Knyzhtes; Symon of Grenehull, þat tyme stywarde of Walyngforde; Roger of Bewbeche, Hugh of Barton, Henry of Dichele, and oþer. i-ȝefe and i-doo at Osney, þe Wodenysday
 28 nexte afore þe fest of seynte Barnabe thapostele, þe ȝere of ouṛ lord M¹CCC., and In the ȝere of þe regne of Kyng Edward þe soone of Kyng Henry xxviiij.

and con-
firmation
of it.

[XVII. KIDLINGTON.]

[94.] Hit⁴ is to be myndid that pabbot of Osney hath
 32 þe church of Cudelynton of þe yifte of Robert Doyly þe secunde; and confirmacion of Kyng Henry þe soone of Willyam

Reference
to nos. 12,
13, 14, 18, 19

¹ 'Ego igitur.'

² 'ratas habens et gratas.'

³ i. e. Elsfield.

⁴ Marginal note: 'Nota bene.'

bastarde, and of Alizaunde^r Bisshop of lincoln, and of pope
Eugene þe iij., and also of þe chapiter of lincoln: as hit is i-
schewed above in 'þe fundacion of Osney.' Also we haue a
confirmation of seynte¹ Hugh Bisshop of lincoln, þe which is in 4
þe title 'How þe church of Seynte George was i-gefe to þe
chanons of Osney.'

and to
no. 37.

Kidling-
ton.

[95.] In² þe Baylyschepe of Cudelynton ben þese townes
i-conteyned:—Cudelynton, Goseforde, Coggeswoode, Thrope, 8
Shipton, Hensynton, Wythhuil.

About
1220.

[96.] Charter of Henry Doylly þe secunde of þe tithis
of Cudelynton and of oþer thynges.

* leaf 23.
Grant to
Osney,
by Henry
Doyly II,

of tithe of
hay of his
demesne-
land and
tenants'
lands in
four
manors,
for the
infirmery
of Osney.

* To all þe soones of ow^r holy modur þe church to see or to
hyre this present letters, Henry Doyly, owre lorde þe Kynges
constable, helth. Knowe 3e me willefully³, for þe onoly loue of 12
goddis goodenes, for my helth and of my aunceturs, to haue i-
geve and to haue i-grauntid and to haue i-confermed to my
most dere chanons of Osney all þe tithis of heye bothe of my
demaynys and of my meñ tenauntes of my flee in my maners of 16
Hokenorton, of Cudelynton, of Weston, of Cleydon, to þe
susteynyng⁴ of þoo thynges þe which ben necessarye In pitaunces
and medicynys of brethren i-leyde in the infirmarie. and, þat
this gifte of this my almes be sure and hoole to þe saide howse 20
for Euer, this present writyng with my seele I-made hit to be
strengthd. These witnesses, &c⁵.

1273,
July 21.

[97.] A sentence diffinitiffe vppon mortuarijs In þe
parishe of Cudelynton.

Osney, as
rector of
Kidlington,

THESE thynges were i-actid or doo In þe conuentual church
of Seynte frideswith at oxonforde, In þe vigile of Seynte marye 24
Mawdelen, in þe 3ere of ow^r lorde anno M^cCClxxiiij., afore vs,
officiall of my lorde Archedecun of oxonforde, by ordinary Juris-
dicion knowyng, in þe cawse þe which vppon a mortuary is
i-sterid, bitwene religiouse meñ thabbot and couent of Osney, 28

¹ St. Hugh of Avalon, died 1200.

² Marginal note: 'Nota bene.'

³ 'gratis.'

⁴ Marginal note: 'Nota: for pitaunces
for seke men and for medicines.'

actors, by frere Roger Waldis of þe same place chanone (here procuratour lawfully ordeyned) comperynge, of þe oon partie, and Robert Synat, Thomas yenge, and moolde the lefte of Raph
 4 ffrensh of thrope, executors of þe testament of þe same Raph dede, gylty¹, personally comperynge of þe oþer partie: þat is to say, whenne hit was i-schewed þe seyde gylty¹ at þe same day and place lawfully and peremptoryly to haue be i-callid, of þe
 8 saide religiousmen, þe procuratour aforsaide agaynst þe same gylty¹ here Intent purposed in þe name of here lordis in-to þis maner:—

claimed from the executors of Ralph Frensh, of Thrupp,

Afore 3ow, my lorde Juge, I, frere Roger Waldis, procuratour
 12 of þabbot and couent of Oseney, þe church of Cudelynton holdyng in full ryght and of þe same church persons, in þe name of my lordis, say and purpose agaynst Robert Synat, Thomas yenge, and Moolde, relicte of Raph ffrensh of Thrope
 16 sumtyme parissheñ of þe saide church of Cudelynton, executours of þe testament of þe saide Raph dede, þat where, of goode and preysable custom in parishe of þe saide church, hooly obserued fro þe tyme of þe which is no mynde, Hit is i-goote² that for
 20 men dying in þe same parishe his secunde best beest (be hit horse or b[e]est of oony oþer maner kynde) þat he hath gete in þe daye of his dethe hit be i-payde to þe saide church and to my lordis In þe name of a Mortuarye. Now þe saide execu-
 24 tours, þe saide custom forsakyng, for þe forsaide Raph of thrope, of þe saide church parissheñ, in³ þe same church parishe deyng, þe secund best Beest that in þe tyme or his deth he had In þe name of a mortuary to graunte þe[y] agaynesay vnryghtfully.
 28 Wherefore, In þe name of my lordys, I axe þe saide Executours to þe forsaide best (of what-so-Euer kynde þe Beeste be) to þe saide church of Cudelynton and to my lordis aforsaide, after þe forsaide custom, in þe name of A mortuarye to be i-grauntid;
 32 sentencially and diffinityfly to be condempned; and þe same Executours, so i-condempned to þe saide best In þe name of a mor*tuarye grauntynge, by þe censure of þe church, to be i-compellid.

in Kidlington parish, according to the ancient custom, his second best beast, as due to the church as a 'mortuary.'

* leaf 23, back.

36 To þe which sothly⁴ entente þe forsaide Executours stryffe, saying thynges i-tolde in þe saide Entencion, as they ben i-

The executors refused, and

¹ 'reos.'

² 'sit optentum.'

³ 'in eiusdem ecclesie parochia.'

⁴ 'quidem.'

pleaded
that horses
at least
were not
included in
the custom.

tolde, not to be true, and þerfore thynges i-axid, as þei ben i-axid to be doo, not to be dewe; To¹ here also deliueying castyng to, þe fore custom not of horsis but of oþer bestis i-observed and i-obteyned. and þe parties here and þere of þe² 4 trowth to be saide i-swore, þe saide Executours, i-swere, denyed, as þey dyde afore.

Evidence
being
taken,

Wherefore þe saide partie doer, to þe forsaide here Entent to be i-grauntid, fowre witnesse Browght forth, that is to say, 8 William, person of þe church of Wyuelcote; Roger, Vica^r of Cudelynton; Thomas, decune² of þe same; and William of Hampton: þe which i-receyued, i-swore, i-examined, and þere wordes or sayinges (of þe consent of [the] parties) [published³, 12 and alteration about them having been had between the parties];

verdict was
given that
the church
was en-
titled to
the second
best beast
of deceased,
whether
horse or
other.

of þe same parties consent, in þe saide cawse concludyng, to þe diffinityffe sentence we haue i-procedid in-to this maner:— 16 In *Dei nomine amen*. We, officialt of my lorde Archedecun of oxonforde, i-herde and i-vndurstande þe meritis of þe saide cawse, for⁴ [that⁵ the above-writ intention of the said abbot and convent of Oseneye and of their above-named procurator] 20 of⁶ þe saide witnessis deposicions fully i-preued we haue i-founde, and i-groundid, þe saide executours to þe saide beest, be hit horse or of oony oþer kynde beest, of þe saide Raph dede þat in þe tyme of his deth he had, for þe same Raph, of þe saide 24 church parissheid, and in þe same church parisshe dede, to þe saide church of Cudelynton, to þe forsaide religiose men, and to þere procuratour in there name, after þe forsaide custom, in þe name of mortuarye to be i-geve, sentencially and diffinitiffly 28 in wrytyng we condempne; and þe same, so i-condempned to þe saide beeste gevyng In þe name of a mortuary, by þe Vica^r of Cudelynton by all church censure to be i-compellid pronuncyng⁶, This⁷ sentence executyng to þe same Vicarye committyng⁸, 32 agaynesayers and rebellis (if⁹ oony) to þe same Vicarye com-

This verdict
to be en-
forced by
church
censure,
against the

¹ 'ad sui quoque deliberationem adicientes, predictam consuetudinem non [esse] . . . optentam.'

² 'diaconum.'

³ Added from the Latin.

⁴ 'quia.'

⁵ 'perdictorum testium depositiones plene probatam esse comperimus, et fundatam.'

⁶ 'pronunciantes.'

⁷ 'istius sentencie executionem.'

⁸ 'committendo,' instead of 'commitmentes.'

⁹ The bracketed clause is strangely disjoined by the intrusion of interpolated words, by an erroneous repetition. The Latin is: 'si quos inuenerit.'

mittynge (he fynde) with like censure to be restreyned by þe same Vica^r napeles by this present writynge to þe same charyng¹. In-to þe witnesse of þe which writynge þe seele of þe officiall-
 4 hoo^d² of oxonforde to this present writynge we willid to be i-put to : þe date, in þe place day and^r yere afore i-notid³.

executors
and their
supporters.

[98.] A sentence diffinitiffe vppon þe smale tithis of 1277,
 Cudelynton. May 24.

THESE thynges were i-doo In þe church of Erdynton, In þe moneday next afore þe fest of Seynte Austen, þe yere of our
 8 lorde anno M^cCClxxvij., afore vs, þe officiall of my lorde Archedecon of oxonforde, by auctorite ordinare knowyng, in cawsis the^s were i-stered^r bitwene thabbot and Couent of Oseney, the parisshe of Cudelinton in-to þere owne vses obteynyng and of
 12 þe same church persons, actors, by Robert Kenyworth⁴ (clerk, here procuratour lawfully i-sette or ordeyned^r) comperynge, vppon þe oon⁵ partie, and^r Henrye of þe chamber, þe⁵ of þe saide church of Cudelynton parisshe, gilty, by Wymunde (procuratour of þe
 16 same lawfully i-ordeyned^r) comperynge, of þe oper⁶ partie, þe.

Oseney, as
rector of
Kidling-
ton,

claimed
from the
parish-
ioners

Afore⁶ yow my lorde Jugge, þe. Agaynste þe saide procuratoure and parysshyns for tithis of þer gardeynes comyng forth and⁷ of all frutes and^r of mylke of þere kyne fro þe tyme of þe
 20 wenyng of þe calues and [of their ewes fro þe time] of departyng of lombes, al so longe as mylke dureth. Þe saide procuratour of thabbot afore-saide, þe after þer forme of lawe i-declarið, þe.

small
tithes, i. e.
of fruits
of gardens,
and of milk.

To þe sentence diffinitiffe we haue i-procedid^r In-to this
 24 maner * **In dei nomine Amen** : ffor-asmuche we officiall afore-saide, þe we haue i-founde, þe saide Henry and all and^r euerych oper afore i-write, and þe saide Wymund^r procuratour of þe same, to þe tithe of all frutes of here gardeynes within þe

* leaf 24.

¹ 'eidem demandando,' instead of 'mandantes.'

² 'officialitatis.'

³ 'in causis que coram nobis.' Read probably 'the which': but the definite article is found used as relative, as in German *der*.

⁴ 'de Kenelingwrth.'

⁵ The Latin gives seven other names, among them 'Nicholaum piscatorem.'

⁶ Summary of the claim by the procurator for Oseney.

⁷ Omit 'and,' which has no place in the Latin. The claim was for tithe (a) 'fructuum ortorum,' (b) 'lactis, a vaccis suis a tempore ablactationis vitulorum, et ab ovibus a tempore separationis agnorum, provenientis.' Ewe-milk was therefore taken, and titheable.

Verdict in
favour of
Oseney,

with
arrears
acruing
since last
payment.

Verdict to
be enforced
by church
censure.

parisshe i-sett comyng forthe ¹ and to þe tithe of mylke of bestis within þe saide parisshe after ² of þe same to be take, to þe forsaide church of Cudelynton, and to þe religiouse men þe same church in-to þere owne vsis hauyng, and to þere procuratour in þere name, hereafter, from tyme of þe wenyng (to ³ be paide to-gedur) of caluys and departyng of lambys, al so longe as þe same Milke shaft dure, fully, hooly, and withoute all lessenyng to be payde, to-gedur with arerages fro þat tyme ⁸ that they paide last moneye In þe name of þe tithe of þe mylke aforsaide, sentencially and diffinityffly in this writyng we condempne; and þat þe same tithe, also ⁴ with arerages, to þe myndid' religiouse men and to þe forsaide church, as hit Is i- ¹² saide [before ⁵, they pay, we order, decreeing all and sundry above-written], after thre monicions or warnynges (by þe vicare of Cudelynton or ⁶ his stedys beryng to þen to be ⁷ paide), at ⁸ þe paying of þe saide tithis and of Arerages aforesaide, as hit ¹⁶ is i-saide afore, (to ⁹ be i-payde), by all maner censure of þe church to be i-compellid. Date and actid þe day and þe 3ere abovesaide.

About
1280.

[99.] A charter of Sir Hugh plesettis of v. ð. 3erely In Cudelinton.

Grant to
Oseney, by
Hugh of
Plessets,

of 5s. rent-
charge in
Kidlington,
issuing out
of Walter
of Crox-
ford's
lands, for
pittances,

KNOWE all men þat I, Hugh plesettis, haue i-3efe, grauntid, ²⁰ and with my present charter conformed, to William ¹⁰ Abbot of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, in-to pure and perpetueß almes, for þe helth of my Sowle and of my Aunceturs and successours, v. ð. 3erely for Euer to be take of þe tenauntes ²⁴ þe which Water Croxford helde of me In Cudelynton, by þe handis of þe same Water and of all these tenementes after heldyng, þat is to say, [at ¹¹ the feast of St. John Baptist, ix. d., at the feast of St. Michael, xxi. d., at the feast of St. Thomas ²⁸

¹ 'provenientium,' in agreement with 'fructuum.'

² 'imposterum ab eisdem percipiendi'; i. e. 'percipiendi,' in agreement with 'lactis'; 'ab eisdem' = by Oseney.

³ Omit the bracketed words, brought in, without meaning, from below.

⁴ 'una cum.'

⁵ Inserted from the Latin.

⁶ 'vel eius vices gerentem.'

⁷ Read 'to be made,' i. e. 'monicionem.'

⁸ 'ad solucionem.'

⁹ Superfluous; not in the Latin.

¹⁰ William of Sutton, abbot 1268-84.

¹¹ Inserted from the Latin. The donor no doubt bargained for commemoration in the conventual prayers on these five festivals. The payments would provide a 'pittance' on these days.

Apostle, ix. d.] at þe ffest of þe Annunciacion of owre lady ix. d., and at Estur xij. d. I haue i-grauntid also, for me and my heyres, þat þe forsaide Abbot and Chanons maye distreyne þe
 4 forsaide Water þorowgh all þe forsaide tenementys, In all maner of Distreynyng, to pay to þem fully þe forsaide yerely rente, if at þe for-namyd termes þey fayle, Sauyng to me and to my heyres all maner oþer thynges, seruices, and customs, þe
 8 which of þe saide tenementes been dewe. And I þe forsaide Hugh, and my heyres, to þe forsaide Abbot and chanons þe forsaide 3erely rente of v. s. as fre and perpetueñ almes agaynste all pepull shalle warantyge, aquite, and defende for euer. In-to
 12 witnesse of þe which thyng þis present wrytyng with my seelys pryntyng I haue i-strengthid hit. These witnesses, ȝ.

with powers of distraint,

but reserving to the manor all other feudal superi-
 orities.

[100.] An obligacion of Water Croxforde of þe Same About
 v. s. 1280.

KNOWE all men þat I, Water Croxforde, haue i-grauntid, for me and my heyres for euer, to paye to Willyam Abbot of Oseney
 16 and to þe Couent þer seruyng god, v. s. 3erely at þe termes in þe charter þe which þey haue of Sir Hugh plesettis of þe forsaide rent contente. And þe forsaide Abbot and chanons may distreyne me and my heyres In all maner of distreynyng
 20 þorowgh Alle londes and tenementes the * which I holde in Cudelynton, and¹ all þe saide londes and holdyng þe tenementes, to² be i-paide to þe forsaide Abbot and chanons þe forsaide 3erely reute, at þe termes i-sett, If we fayle (þat god forbede).
 24 In-to witnesse of þe which thyng, this present wrytyng with my seeles Empryntyng I haue i-strengthid hit. These witnessis, ȝ.

Acknowledgement to Oseney, by Walter of Croxford, of obligation to pay the quit-rent, as in no. 99.
 * leaf 24, back.

[101.] A composicion Bitwene vs and Sir Hugh plesettis of chauntery chapel of Cudelynton and oþer thynges. About
 1280.

In dei nomine Amen. A thyng i-sprunge late, Bitwene religiousse men William Abbot and Couent of þe Monastery of
 28 Oseneye of the oone partie, and a worthy man Sir Hugh plesettis of þe oþer, vpon a chapel of þe forsaide Sir Hugh

Oseney, as rector of Kidlington, granted Hugh of Plessets

¹ Read 'and all (omnes) the said lands and tenements holding (tenentes),' i. e.

who hold.

² 'ad solvendum . . . redditum.'

a private
chapel.

plesettis in his courte at Cudelynton i-sett, a¹ chauntery, with þe libertee of þe same chapel and oþer thynges þe mater of þe question towchyng: þe striffe bitwene them restid with a ffrendely composicion vndur this forme, that is to say, þat the 4 fosraide abbot and Couent, hauyng þe parisshe church of Cudelynton vn-to þere owne vses. This composicion is all i-write In þe title of 'Hedynton.'

About
1230.

[102.] A charter of Henry Doylly of a 3erde londe In Cudelinton and rent of þe Mille and oþer thynges.

Grant to
Oseney,
by Henry
Doyly II,

of rent-
charges to
value of £5;
made up of,
in *Kidling-
ton*, £3 out
of the mill
(with sur-
render of
other
feudal
rights in
said mill),
the quit-
rents
[18s. 8d.]
out of a
yardland,
messuage,
and croft;
and, in
Hooknorton,
13s. 4d. out
of three
yardlands,
and 8s. out
of half a
hide,

KNOWE they þat be present and to be þat I, Henry Doylly, 8 3afe and grauntid, and with my present charter confermed, to god and to þe church of Seynte marye of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, for my helth and of myne, both pre-
decessours [and² successours], and specially for þe Sowle of 12 Sibiff my wiffe and of moolde my dow3tter, a hundred shelyng-
worth of Rente 3erely, for þe which I haue³ a-tourned to þem lx. 3. þe which I was i-woned to take 3erly of my Milte of Cudelynton, and homage and seruice of Helie mylle and of his 16 heyres, and what-so-Euer thyng in þe forsaide mylle fully⁴ and better I Euer had, with his pertinences, (or⁵ my3ghat haue), without Eny withholdyng. I haue i-3eve also and haue i-
grauntid in þe same my maner, in-to ffree pure and perpetueff 20 almes, j. 3erde of londe, þat is to say, þat⁶ helde Raph Reuelyng, with a mese and crofte and all his oþer pertinences, withinne þe towne and without þe towne, withoute oony withholdyng. ffurþermore I haue i-3eve and haue i-grauntid to þe now saide 24 chanons In my maner of Hokenorton j. marke of Silueþ, þe which was i-woned to paye to me Raph Bernarde Euary 3ere for thre 3erdes of londe, with his pertinences, þe which he helde of me in þe same towne. I 3afe also to þem viij. 3. of Ster- 28 lynges, þe which I was i-woned to⁷ take 3erely of Roger Olicrante⁸ for dñ. an hide of londe, þe which he had with moolde his wife þe dow3ghter of philippe clerke, and of me

¹ Governed by 'vppon,' mentally repeated.

² Added from the Latin.

³ 'attornavi eis.'

⁴ 'plenius et melius.'

⁵ The broken order in this instance is copied from the Latin.

⁶ 'illam scilicet quam tenuit Radulphus.'

⁷ MS. 'to to take.'

⁸ 'Olicrance.'

helde in þe same maner, with homage and *servi*ces of þe saide Robert Bernarde and of Roger Olicrante and of here heyres, and what-so-Euer thyng [in] nowe þe saide¹ londes I had or
 4 myȝht haue, withoute oony witholdyng. I have also [given] to þe forramed chanons In my maner of Hokenorton² oon³ mede that Is i-called Cuham, In-to pure and perpetueſt almes, and
 8 withoute oony reteynyng. ffor this cawse, I wille ande Surely ordeyne, for me and my heyres, þat [þe² forsaide Chanons all] þe forsaide thynges have and holde for Euer, weſt pesible and
 12 and perpetueſt almes, as oony almes better³ and frely myȝht be i-geve of cony or to be holde. I also Henry Doyly, and my heyres, all þe fornamyd thynges with here pertinences to þe saide
 16 chanonſ agaynste all pepulſ shalle warantize and aquite: and that this my ȝifte, graunte, and warantizyng, and aquite, be sure and stabul for Euer, hit with my present seeles puttyng to have I strenghtid. These witnesses. ȝ.

with sur-
render of
feudal
rights over
the said
lands.
Grant
also of a
meadow
in Hook-
norton.
* leaf 25.

[103.] A charter of Warine ſiȝht Helie of þe Mille of
 Cudelinton. About
 1239.

Know þey that ben now and to be þat I, Waryne ſiȝt Helie
 20 myller⁴ of Cudelinton, have i-geve and grauntid, deliuered and
 quyte-claymed, and confermed with my charter, for me and my
 heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of
 Oseneye and to þe chanonſ In hit *seruyng* god, all my mylle of
 24 Cudelinton, with þe pertinences, þat I helde of þe chanonſ,
 payng to þem⁵ þerof yerely lx. s., and⁵ all þat moolde þe relieche
 of my ſadur þe thridde parte of þe same Mille for heȝ dowry
 also longe as she leueth, payng þerof ȝerely to þe same chanons
 28 þe thridde parte of þe forsaide lx. s., that is to say, xx. s., for
 þe forsaide thridde parte of þe forsaide mylle while she leueth,
 þe which also þe forsaide thridde parte after þe deceſe of þe
 forsaide moolde all shaft abide in-to þe handes of þe forsaide
 32 chanons, and þenne þey shaft haue all þe forsaide mylle, with

Sale to
Oseney, by
Warin the
miller,

of all his
interest in
the mill (as
in no. 102),
with the
reversion
of his
mother's
jointure-
share.

¹ 'iam-dictis,'

² Added from the Latin.

³ 'melius et liberius.' Obviously, the
 writer did not care to form by inflection a

comparative for words like 'freely.'

⁴ 'molendinari.''

⁵ Read 'saving to Moolde.'

all his pertinences, hooly, to be holde and to be had and ¹ to þe same, well and In pece, frely and quietly fro all seculer service exaccion and demaunde, withoute reclaymyng of me and of my heyres for Euer. And I Waryne and my heyres all þe forsaide 4 thynges to þe saide church and chanons shall warantize agaynste all for Euer. And for this gifte, graunte, deliveryng, quite-claymyng, and confermyng, þe saide chanons for-zafe to me ix. marke of siluer, þe which I owyd to þem. In-to witte- 8 nesse of þe which pyng to this present writyng my seele I haue i-put to: þese witnesses ², &c².

Purchase
money, £6.

About
1280.

[104.] A charter of petur Meles of þe Mese Eueñ
agaynste þe Mille.

Grant to
Oseney, by
Peter of
Mules,
of a messu-
age,

subject to
8d. yearly
to maintain
a lamp in
the church.

* leaf 25,
back.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

KNOWE þey pat be present and to be that I, petur of Meles, 12
zafe grauntid and quyte-claymed, and with this my present 12
charter confermed, to god and to þe church of Seynte marye of
Oseney and to þe chanons in hit seruyng god, that Mese, with
þe Curtilage or garden and all his oþer pertinences, pat I had
in þe towñ of Cudelynton, þe which truly mese is i-sett eueñ 16
agaynste þe mylle of þe same Abbot and Couent in þe same
towne of þe sowth partie by þe water: to be holde and i-had,
to þe church and chanons, of me and of my heyres, In-to fire
pure and perpetueñ almes, zeldyng þerof to þe church of Cude- 20
lynton viij. d. to þe susteynyng of oon lampe, afore þe crucifixe
In þe same church, for þe sowles of Sir Henry Doylly and of
all sowles, as þe same tenement of oolde was i-wonyd to paye,
for all thyng þe which, of þe londe and for þe londe, may, or 24
shall mowe, to be * axid for Euer. And I petur and my heyres
þe forsaide Mese, with all his pertinences, to þe church and
chanons agaynste all cristen men and Juys shall warantize
aquite and defende for Euer. And that this my gifte be rate 28
and stable for Euer, to þis writyng my seele haue I put to.
These witnesses, &c².

About
1280.

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,

[105.] A confirmacion of Sir Hugh plesettis of þe same.

KNOWE all men pat I, Hugh of plesettis, haue i-grauntid,
and with my present charter confermed, to god and to þe church 32

¹ Omit 'and.'

² One was John of Tew, sheriff of Oxfordshire 1236-9.

of Seynte maryl of Osneye and to Sir William, Abbot, and to þe chanon^s in hit *seruyng* god, þe ȝifte þe. which petur of Meles made to þeⁿ of oone mese with þe *pertinences* In Cudelynton^d.
 4 And I graunte, for me and my heyres, þat þey haue and holde hit, in-to pure and *perpetuefl* almes, al so much as to me and my heyres *perteyneth* for Euer, Sauyng napeles viij. d. to þe church of Cudelynton^d to þe sustenyng of oone lampe afore þe *crucifixe*
 8 for þe sowles of Henry Doylly and of my aunceturs and of my successours. In-to witesse of þe which thyng.

by Hugh of
Plessets,
of no. 104,

subject to
the charge
for the
lamp.

[106.] A charter bitwene vs and Water Croxforde of þe About
londe of ffrees. 1260.

KNOWE all meⁿ that In this wise hit was a-cordid Bitwene Richard, Abbot of Oseney, and þe Couent of þe same place, of þe
 12 oone *partie*, and Water Croxforde, of þe other *partie*, that is to say, þat þe saide Abbot and Couent lete and toke to þe forsaide and to his heyres a crofte or þat telth þe which is Eueⁿ agaynste þe chapefl of þe ffrees of þe west side, with dichis,
 16 medis, and *oper pertinences* : to be i-holde and i-had to þe forsaide and to his heyres to *perpetuefl* ferme, payng *perof* ȝerely to þe saide Abbot and Couent dñ. marke at Osneye, that is to say, in þe daye of Seynte Mighel^l or a-fore xl. d. and In þe day of þe
 20 Anunciacion of seynte maryl or a-fore xl. d. : and þe forsaide Water and his heyres all burdons of þe same crofte or telth towchyng, with *per costis*, shaft susteyne and aquite. And hit shaft not be lawfull to þe saide Water and to his heyres the
 24 saide crofte or telth to oony maⁿ to sell ȝeue or bequeth or in oony maner to aliene. And if he doo or his heyris doo, hit shaft be lawfull to þe forsaide Abbot and to his successours þe saide crofte or telth to Entre and for Euer to haue, withoute
 28 lettyng of þe saide Water or of his heyris. And þat this lettyng and of *perpetuefl* ferme takyng be sure and stable for Euer, þe parties to this writyng In-to þe maner of a charter i-made, euerych to *oper*, he^r seeles haue putte. These wit-
 32 nesses, &c^o.

Grant by
Oseney,
to Walter
of Crox-
ford, of
the Frees.

[Duplicate
of no. 82.]

1217. [107.] Letters¹ of *Walter Archiebisshope* of *Yorke* and co-executours of þe same of þe ȝifte of *John bisshop* of *Norwich* of þe woode of *Coggese* and of the church of *Swerforde* with þe *Chapell* of *Sevewell*.

Convey-
ance to
Oseney, by
the execu-
tors of
bp. John
de Grey,
* leaf 26.

of Coggese
wood,
of Swerford
church,
and of
Showell
chapel.
[No. 270 is a
duplicate.]

To all þe Soones of owr holy modur þe church to whome þese present letter̃s shaft come, *Walter*, By þe grace of god Archiebisshop of *ȝorke*², a primat of *Ingelonde*, and master *Ralph* of *Warham*³, official of *Norwich*, and mayster *R.*,⁴ Archede*con of *yippeswike*, helth in owr lorde. Knowe ȝe all *John Gray*, of goode Mynde, sumtyme Bisshop of *Northwich*, a woode þe which is i-callid *Goggeswode*⁴ to þe towne of *Cudelinto* sumtyme perteynyng, and þe church of *Swerforde*, with 8 þe chapel of *Senewell*⁵, and his pertinences, þe which þe forsaide Bisshop of þe yifte of Sir *Henry Doylly* gate, to þe church of *Seynte Marye* of *Osney* and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, for þe helth of his sowle, In his laste witt to haue i-lefte. 12 We truly, sith In þe forsaide Bisshoppis testament executours [we] were i-ȝeue, to þe same chanons þe forsaide woode and þe saide church with þe chapel and pertinences, after that þe Office of owr execucion axid, haue assined. But [lest] þat 16 þe trowth of this thyng by successioñ of tyme myȝit be in-to dowte i-callid, we of 6 þe aforethynges assinyng to þe afore-saide chanons of vs i-maade In 7 writyng haue i-maade hit, þe which þe puttyng-to of owr seeles haue i-thowȝht worþy to strenght, f. 20

About
1217.

- [108.] A confirmacion of *Henry Doylly* of þe same woode.

Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by *Henry*
Doyly II,
as feudal
superior,
of Coggese
wood,

KNOWE tho þat be present and to be that I, *Henry Doylly*, of owr lorde Kyng constable, haue i-grauntid, and with this present charter confermed, to god and to þe church of *Seynte marie* of *Osney* and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, in-to 24 pure and perpetuell almes, all þe woode of *Cudelynton*⁸ þe which Is i-callid *Coggeswode*⁸ with his pertinences, withoute

¹ Marginal note:—'Nota.'

² *Walter de Grey*, archbishop of *York* 1216-55, was nephew to *John de Grey*, bishop of *Norwich* 1200-14.

³ *Ralph of Warham*, elected bishop of *Chichester*, Dec. 1217.

⁴ The spelling 'Goggeswode' is an alternative to 'Coggeswode.'

⁵ *Showell*, in *Swerford* parish.

⁶ 'predictorum assignationem.'

⁷ 'in scripturam redeğimiz.'

⁸ Names noted in margin.

oony withholdyng, [þe which] þe same chanons hauē of þe
 yifte of Sir or lorde John Gray, Bisshope sumtyme of Norwhich,
 þe which also woode I Henry Doylly ʒafe and with my charter
 4 confermed to lorde John Bisshop of Norwhich. Wherefore I
 wille þat þe forsaide chanons þe forsaide woode holde and haue
 for Euer with all pertinences, in-to fire pure and perpetuell
 almes, quite fro all seculer service þat to me or my heyres
 8 perteyneth. And be hit lawfull to þe forsaide chanons of
 Oseney to þe forsaide woode to Copice¹, to ʒeve, or to sell to
 whome-so-Euer þey wille or to religious men or to oper. And
 I, Henry Doylly, and my heyres, þe forsaide woode to þe
 12 fornamyd chanons or to whome-so-Euer þey will assine hit
 agaynste all men for Euer schall warantize. And that this my
 graunte and confirmacion bide sure and stable for Euer, hit
 whith my present wrytyng with my seeles puttyng-to haue
 16 i-strenghtid hit: þese witnesses.

as in
no. 107,

with power
to disforest
it or sell it.

[No. 271 is a
duplicate.]

[109.] A charter of Adam s̄t Thomas of Cudelynton About
 of londes In þe Same and In Shipton. 1280.

KNOWE þey that be present and to Be that I, Adam s̄t
 Thomas of Cudelynton, ʒafe, grauntid, and with my present
 charter confermed, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marie of
 20 Oseney and to frere William² Abbot and to þe chanons þere
 seruyng god, ij. acres of Arable londe In þe territorye or
 grownde of Cudelynton, þe which I had of þe yifte and graunte
 of William of Wotton, for j. ob. to þe same and to his heyres for
 24 all thynges at þe ffeest of Seynte Mygheff ʒerely to be i-paide.
 Item, I ʒafe and grauntid j. acre of Arable londe, þe which I
 had of þe yifte and graunte of William of Cutlynton, for j.
 roote of gooyng³ to þe same and to his heyres for all thynges at
 28 Estur ʒerely to be i-paide; And j. d̄j. acre of Arable londe and
 d̄j. an acre of mede, þe which I had of þe yifte and graunte of
 William s̄t petur of Dunynton, * for j. ob. to þe same and to
 his heyris for all thynges at þe ffeest of Seynte Mizghett ʒerely
 32 to be i-paide. Item, I ʒafe and grauntid to þe saide church

Grant to
Oseney, by
Adam, son
of Thomas,
in Kidling-
ton,
of 2 acres,
subject to
½ d. quit-
rent;

1 acre, sub-
ject to quit-
rent of a
root of
ginger;
½ acre
arable and
½ acre
* leaf 20,
back.
meadow,
subject to
½ d. quit-
rent;

¹ 'assartare.'

² Probably William of Sutton, abbot
1268-84.

³ Read 'ginger': 'pro una radice gingi-
beri.'

and in
Shipton of
[a quarter-
yardland,
i. e.] a mes-
suage,
6 acres
arable,
 $\frac{1}{2}$ acre
meadow,
subject to
 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. quit-
rent.

abbot and chanons j. mese, vj. acris of Arable londe, and dj. one acre of mede with þe pertinences in þe towne and fælde of Shipton¹, þe which I had of þe yifte and grauntyng of William Toky, for j. ferthyng to þe same and to his heyres at þe fest of 4 Seynte Mizghell 3erely to be i-payde, for all seculer *seruices*, Sutes, wardis, relefs, heriettes, and for all other thynges þe which of þe londe or for þe londe may be axid for euer: to be holde and to be had, to þe saide church abbot and chanons and 8 to þere successours, in-to ffree pure and perpetuell almes, al so much as to me and my heyres perteyneth, payng þerof to þe chefe lordis *seruices* afore-i-write. And þat þis my 3ifte, graunte, and confirmacion be sure and stable for Euer, to this writyng 12 my seele I haue put to, and to more Surete of þe þyng, all Instrumentes and munimentes to þe saide londis and tenementes þat I haue, afore worpy men I have deliuered [to² the said abbot and conuent]. These witnesses. 16

About
1280?

[110.] A quite-clayme of Water ffit John of Thrope of
j. ii. of Comyn.

Grant to
Oseney, by
Walter son
of John of
Thrapp,
of a quit-
rent of 1 lb.
of cummin,
due by land
assigned
to maintain
a lamp in
Kidlington
church.

KNOWE þey that be present and to be that I, Water ffit John of thrope, 3afe and quite-claymed, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, for þe helth of my Sowle, j. ii. of Comyn, In-to ffree pure and 20 perpetuell almes, al so much³ as to me [longeth], þe which the same chanons oftid to me yerely at þe ffest of Seynte Mizghell for ij. acris of arable londe In stotfolde and j. acre of Mede In Cannham, the which (þat is to say) iij. acris Robert Clerke of 24 Cudelynton 3afe to þe church of Cudelynton to j. lampe to be susteyned In þe same church. And þat þis my 3ifte and quite-clayme be sure and stable for Euer, hit with my writyng and of my seele puttyng to haue I strengthid hit. These witnesses. 28

About
1280.

[111.] A charter of John ffit John philippe of vj. acris
of Arable londe and of oper thynges.

Grant to
Oseney, by
John son of
John son of

KNOWE þey that be present and to be þat [I], John ffit John philippe of Cotes, 3afe, grauntid, and with my present charter conferred, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of Osney

¹ Name noted in margin.

² Inserted from the Latin.

³ This clause is not represented in the Latin.

and William, Abbot, and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, vj. Philip of
acris of Arable londe In þe ffeldes of Cudelynton̄, with all oper Cotes,
pertinences, þe which I had of þe ȝifte of my ffather, of the of the
4 [which] j. acre and dȝ. and j. Rodde lyen̄ in Stodfolde by þe 6 acres
commune pasture of Cudelynton̄ with þe Dicke lying aboute, arable of
and iij. Roddis lyen̄ In þe telth þe which Is i-callid Schelde, a quarter-
and j. dȝ. hede acre In schalt eueſt, and iij. Roddis In þe same yardland,
8 telth; and iij. Roddis lyen̄ In Medelforlong; and j. dȝ. acre In described
Hanginde londe, and j. acre vpon̄ vourtene acris By þe wey : by strips.
to be holde and to be had, to þe saide church and chanon̄s, In-to
pure and perpetueſt almes, of me and my heyres for Euer. And
12 I John and my heyris þe saide vj. acris of londe, with all þere
pertinences, to þe forsaide church and chanon̄s agaynste all
cristen̄ meñ and Juys schall warantize, aquite, and defende, as [Warranty
owre free pure and perpetueſt almys : and þat my ȝifte &c^o. against
Jews.]

[112.] * A confirmacion of John philippe þe ffather of þe * leaf 27.
saide John of þe forsaide ȝifte. About
1280.

16 KNOWE all meñ þat I, John þe soone of philippe of Cude- Confirmation
lynton̄, grauntid, and with my present charter confermed, to to
god and to þe church of seynte marie of Oseney and to þe John son of
chanon̄s þer seruyng god, þe yifte þat John my sone made to Philip,
20 them of vj. acres of arable londe and of a dicke [and other of his son's
pertinences] in þe ffeldes of Cudelynton̄, In-to free pure and gift (no. 111).
perpetueſt almes, as þe charter of þe same John þe which he
made to þen̄ of þe ffeffement fully witnesseth. And I John and my
24 heyres and myne assines þe saide vj. acris with þe Dicke and
oper pertinences to þe forsaide church and chanon̄s agaynste all
cristen̄ meñ and Juys schall warantize, aquite, and defende, as [Warranty
free pure and perpetueſt almes. And þat this my graunte, i. against
Jews.]

[113.] A charter of William off Hampton of a Hamme About
i-callid Stoniham. 1290 ?

28 KNOWE thoo þat be present and to be þat I, William of Grant to
Hampton¹, for þe helth of my sowle and of my wiffe aliz and Oseney, by
of my aunceturs, ȝafe and grauntid, and with my present charter William of
confermed, to god and to þe church of þe blessed virgen̄ marye Hampton,

¹ Hampton Gay or Hampton Poyle.

of a
meadow-
patch.

of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, þat hamme, with all his pertinenes, þe which lieth bitwene þe hamme þe which was sumtyme of Helie Clerke of Cudelyntoñ and þe mede þat is i-callid Bradeham, In-to ffree pure and perpetuett⁴ almes, as oony londe better¹ and freliyst maye be i-zeve: to be had and to be holde, to þe same church and chanon̄s þere seruyng god, of me and of my heyres, frely and quietly, well and In pece, withoute oony quarett and Demaunde and seculer̄⁸ exaccion̄. And I þe forsaide William and my heyres shall warantize, aquite, and defende þe forsaide hamme, with all his pertinenes, for Euer to þe forsaide church & to þe saide chanons agaynste all men and women. And þat this my jifte, ꝑ.

12

About
1220?

[114.] A charter off Henry Doylly off þe ffishshing of Cudelintoñ.

Sale to Eli
miller,
by Henry
Doyly (? II),
of fishing-
rights in
the mill-
ponds and
mill-
streams of
Kidlington,
quit-rent to
be half the
fish taken.
Purchase-
money,
13s. 4d.

Know tho that be present and to be pat I, Henry Doylly², my lorde the Kynges constable, toke and grauntid, and with my present charter conformed, to Helie Miller and to his heyres and³ my ffishshyng of Cudelintoñ, withoute oony [retaining],¹⁶ vndur⁴ þe Milie and Bi the Mille, with [the] exclud of þe Mille and with þe ponde and with all thinges to þe ffishshyng perteynyng, In-to ffee-ferme to ffishhe to⁵ halfe: to be had and to be holde, to þe fforsaide Helie and to his heyres, frely and²⁰ quietly, of me and myne heyres, by seruice off ffishshyng to halfe⁶. And for this graunte, takyng, and confermyng, þe forsaide Helie safe to me j. marke of siluer, ꝑ.

[XVIII. GOSFORD.]

123¹,
March 19.

[115.] A composicion⁷ Bitwene vs and þe Hospitalariys of þe chapel of Goseforde.

In spite of
opposition
by Oseney,

THE prior and Supprior of Dunstable, by þe Commaundement²⁴ of pope gregorye⁸, after Diuerse altercacions i-made bitwene þe

¹ 'melius et liberius.'

² If it were Henry Doyly I, then the date is 'About 1160?'

³ 'and' in MS., by a slip for 'all.'

⁴ 'sub molendino et subtus [? lower down than] molendinum.'

⁵ 'ad piscandum ad medietatem.'

⁶ 'per servicium piscandi ad medietatem.'

⁷ A translation of the deed, made from the Latin of the Oseney cartulary at Christ Church, is printed in Stapleton's *Three Oxfordshire Parishes* (1893), p. 360: but the technical term *trentale* is mis-read.

⁸ Commission dated at Spoleto, July 14, 1232.

parties þ. þe strife bitwene them this frendely Ende restid,
 that is to say, that þe saide Hospitalarijs haue þe saide
 oratorye of Goseforde, after þe tenour of þere priuileges to
 4 þe i-zeve of þe pope, and þe procuratour of þe same Hos-
 pitalarijs, to¹ þat specially i-zeve In Jugement, in the name
 of þe Hospitalarijs with goode feith promised noþer the
 Hospitalar² noþer the seculer Chaplen parissheis of þe
 8 modur church to Diuine shall admitte In the same, noþer
 also Annale or trentale or oony other thyng that to þe
 modur church is dewe, * by the Occasion of the saide ora-
 torie, In-to preiudice or harme of the modur church, shall
 12 receyue or make; also þe saide procuratour promised, In
 the name of his lordis In Juggement, that his lordis þe
 saide thynges shall kepe and of there Sugetes make hit to be
 i-keped: þat same, if hit happe to þe saide Hospitalarijs
 16 in oper parissheis of þe saide chanonns oratorijs to make,
 fully In goode ffeith hit shall be keped. We then, louers
 of pece, this composicion approuyng, with owr seles puttyng-to
 conferme hit, þ.

as rector of
 Kidlington,
 the Knights
 Hospitallers,
 by papal privi-
 lege, were al-
 lowed a chapel
 in their house
 at Gosford, but
 on condition of
 excluding ordi-
 nary parishion-
 ers, and of
 refusing fees
 for saying
 * leaf 27,
 back.
 yearly or
 monthly
 intercessory
 masses for
 souls of persons
 deceased.
 Same terms to
 apply, if
 needed, in
 other Oseney
 parishes.

[XIX. HENSINGTON.]

[116.] The Booke of þe ffeis seith þat þabbot of Oseney holdeþ In Hensinton dñ. an hide lond in
 fire almes & 3eueth none scuage. Note about
land in
Hensington.

[NOTE.—Hensington is a hamlet in Bladon parish. The translator, at this point, falls into extraordinary and unexplained errors. Not only does he bring into the text (as is usual with him) what is the marginal introduction (no. 116) in the Latin copy, but he places it after the rubric of no. 117, and suddenly in the middle of no. 117 leaves the deed he is translating and goes on with the second half of the next. The error is the stranger because the names and property have little in common.]

[117.] A charter of þe Kyng bitwene Eustach m3t Raph 1218,
 and deenyis Scorchebefe.³ Dec. 14.

20 THIS⁴ Is the ffinall acorde i-made In þe Courte of owr lorde⁵ Suit by
 Kyng at Oxonforde, In the 3ere of þe reyne of Kyng Henry the which

¹ i. e. appointed to represent them in this suit.

² 'nec hospitalarius nec canonicus secularis.'

³ In the MS. no. 116 came in here.

⁴ 'Hensinton' in marginal note.

⁵ MS. 'londe,' by a slip.

Eustaceson
of Ralph

established
his rights
over a mes-
suage
and two
acres,

held of
Denyse
Scorchebef
by quit-rent
of 10½*d.*
Purchase-
money, 10*s.*

Sone of Kyng John the iij., in the morowe of Seynte lucie virgen, afore Richard, Bissshop of Salesburye, mathewe ffigt Hereberte, Raph Hareng, Water folioth, James of Poterne, Water de ripariis, Morice Tureville, John Wykenolte, Justices 4 iorneying, and oþer true meñ of owr lorde þe Kyng pere then beyng present, betwene Eustache ffigt Raph, axar, and Deenys Escorchebefe, tenaunt, of j. mese and ij. acris of londe with þe pertinences In Hensynton Whereoff 'assisa of the detñ of 8 aunceturs' whas i-summed bitwene them In the forsaide Courte: that is to say, þat þe forsaide [Deenys¹ acknowledged the said mese and the said two acres of land, with the pertinences, to be the right of said Eustache: to be hold and to be had, to the 12 same Eustache and his heirs, of the forsaide Deenys and her heirs, by the service of ten pence halfpenny to be paid yearly. And for this acknowledgement and fine and accord the foresaid Eustache gave to the forsaide Deenys x. ð. of sterlings. 16

1199,
Aug. 28.

117* A. A charter of the King between Deenys Schorchebef, asker, and William son of Wymund and Richard son of Ralph about 1 hide.

Suit by
which
Denyse
Scorchebef,

after estab-
lishing
her rights
over a hide,

granted it
out as a
frechold, to
be held by
7*s.* quit-
rent.

THIS is the final accord made in the court of our lord king at Oxonforde, on Saturday next after the feast of Seynt Bartholomew, in the first year of the reign of king John, before Alan, abbot of Tewkesbury, Simon of Pateshull, John of Gestling, 20 Richard Flandrensis, William of Faleise, justices, and other barons of our lord king then there present, between Deenys Scorchebef, axer, and William son of Wymund and Richard son of Ralph, tenaunts, of 1. hide of land, with the pertinents, in 24 Hensinton: whereof 'acknowledgement of great assise' was summoned between them in the foresaid court: that is to say, that the foresaid] William² and Richard maade knowlege aft þe forsaide londe with þe pertinences to be þe ry3ght and þe 28 heritage of the forsaide Deenes, And for that ffine and acorde and knowleggyng þe forsaide Deenes³ to þe forsaide William and Richard, with þe pertinences, to be holde of heþ and heþ heyres, to þeñ and to pere heyres for Euer, by ffire service of 32

¹ Added from the Latin.

³ Words like 'gave all the forsaide land'

² The English MS. resumes after the have dropped out, omission.

vij. s. by 3ere for all service, to be i-paide at þe ffest of Seynte Martyne. And for this graunt þe forsaide William and Richard 3afe to þe forsaide Deenes xx. s. of sterlynges.

Purchase-money, £1.

[118.] A¹ charter of Symon² Scorchebef mȝt Geffrey About
Scorchebeff of Shipton. 1255.

- 4 [Know² all men, &c². that I Simon Scorchebef, &c².] At Grant to
the Instance of Water Shipton, Chapleyne, for my helth Oseney,
and of myne, 3afe and grauntid and with this present charter by Simon
confermyd, for me and my heyres for Euer, to god and to þe Scorchebef,
8 church of Seynt marye off Oseney, in-to ffre pure and perpetuell of the rent-
almes, vij. s. off rent in Hensynton 3erly to be take In the ffest charge of
of Seynt Martine at Osney of iiij. 3erdis of londe þe which 7s. (as in
Eustache meyllour, Richard Spenser, Symon Cat, Geffrey no. 117*)
12 Miller, Helewise þe relicte of William frankelyne, sumtyme over 4
helden in Hensynton, with homage and service of þe same and yardlands,
of here heyres, and what of Ry3ght In them or In þere tene- with all
mentes I had or my3ght have, without oony withholdyng to me other
16 or to my heyres: to be holde and to be had, to þe saide chanons, feudal
of me and off my heyres for Euer, weñ and In peece, ffely & superior-
quietly fro all seculer service exaccioñ and Demaunde. And ties.
I Symon and my heyres all the forsaide thynges to þe forsaide
20 chanon for Euer shaft warantize agaynste all men and women:
and if peraventure, by oony case happenyng to them, þe forsaide
thynges we may not warantize we shaft make an Escaunge in
Shipton of my londe to þe value of vij. s. of Rent. And that
24 this my gift, &c².

- [119.] *KNOWE that³ that be nowe and to be pat I, Eustach * leaf 28.
ffist Raph of Hensinton, 3af and graunted, and haue confermyd About
with this my present charter, to god and to þe church of Seynte 1255.
28 Marye of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, all my Grant to
londe In Hensinton, and⁴ all that I had or my3ght haue [in² Oseney, by
the same land], þat is to say, xlj. acris of arable londe, with my Enstace son
chefe mansion and Crofte, and Medis, and þere pertinences: to of Ralph of
Hensing-
ton,
of a man-
sion, croft,

¹ An obscure marginal note says:—'A charter; nota pro nigro.'

² Added from the Latin.

³ Read 'they.'

⁴ 'et quicquid.'

2 acres
meadow,
and 41
acres
arable.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

be had and to be holde, of me and my heyris, with all *pere* liberteyes and here ffree customs, In-to pure and *perpetuell* almes for Euer. And I and my heyres þe fornamed xlj. acris and chefe Mansiō and Crofte and Mede with all þe *pertinences* 4 to þe saide Church and chanons shall warantize, defende, and Aquite, agaynste all cristen meñ and Juys as ffree pure and owre *perpetuell* almys ffor euer. Ande that pese above-write þynges opteyne strenghe, to this present charter my seele I have 8 i-put to, ꝛ.

1257, Oct.
Suit by
which
Osney

received
from Eus-
tace son of
Ralph, the
property in
no. 119,

paying a
'sparhauke
sowre.'

[120.] THIS is þe ffinall acorde i-maade In the Kynges Courte at Westmynster, fro þe day of Seynt Mizgheñ in-to þe xv. day In þe 3ere off þe reyne of Kyng Henry þe soone of 12 Kyng John xlj., afore Henry of Bathe and Robert Brywes, Justices, and oþer true meñ of þe Kynges þenne *pere* beyng present, bitwene Richard, Abbot of Osney, playnyng, by William lech i-sette in his stede to gete or to lese, and Eustach ffit 16 Raph of Hensintoñ, deforcyng, of j. mese, j. tofte, xlj. acris of londe, and ij. acris of mede with þe *pertinences* In Hensintoñ¹, Where-of a² plee of Couenaunte was i-sumned Bitwene þeme in þe same Courte: þat is to say, that the forsaide Eustach 20 knowlechid all þe forsaide tenement with þe *pertinences* to be þe ryght of the same Abbot and of his church of Osney, þat þe saide abbot and his church haueñ of þe 3ifte of the fforsaide Eustach, to be had and to be holde, to þe same Abbot 24 and to his successours and to his church aforsaide, of the chefe lordis of that ffee ffor Euer, doyng þerof all *seruices* the which *perteynyñ* to þe forsaide tenement. And for this Recognicion, ffine and acorde þe same Abbot 3afe³ to þe fforsaide Eustach 28 j. sparhauke Sowre, ꝛ.

About
1290?
Grant to
Osney, by
Eustace
son of
Jeffrey,

[121.] KNOWE þei that þen present and to be þat I, Eustach ffit Geoffrey off Hensintoñ, with oon assent and consent of Moolde my wiffe and of Henry my first boor sone, 3afe and 32 grauntid, and with this my present charter conformed, to god and to þe church of Seynte Mary off Osneye and to þabbot and to þe chanons *pere* seruyng god, In-to ffree pure and *perpetuell*

¹ Marginal note:—'Hensyngton.'

² 'placitum conventionis summonitum fuit.'

³ 'dedit . . . unum spervarium sorum.'

almes, oon mese with a Curtilage (or Gardeyne) and Crofte pat
 I had in þe towne of Hensinton¹, with þe pertinences, and
 xxvij. acris and j. Rodde of Arable londe In þe ffeldes of Hen-
 4 sinton, with þe pertinences, and all my mede that I had In þe
 medis of Hensinton, with þe pertinences, and a zerey rent
 of j. d. at þe ffest of Seynte Marten, þe which mayster John
 Mazon was i-wonyd to zelde to me for ij. acris þe which he helde
 8 of me In the feldes off Hensinton, with homage and seruice of
 þe same Master John, and all that I had or myzght haue in
 þe fforsaide thynges, withoute oony witholdyng to me or to my
 heyres * for euer: to be hold and to be had, to the saide abbot
 12 and chanons and to þere successours, of me and myne heyres, in-
 to free pure and perpetueff almes for euer: and I, Eustach, and
 my heyres, to þe forsaide Abbot and chanons and to þere suc-
 cessours, all the forsaide thynges agaynste all pepull for euer
 16 schaff warantize aquite and defende. And that this my zifte,
 graunte, and of this my charter confirmacion be sure and stabull
 here-after, this presente charter with my seelys enprentyng haue
 I strengthid hit. Thes witnessys, &c².

of [a yard-
 land?, viz.]
 a messuage,
 garden,
 croft, and
 27½ acres
 arable,
 with
 meadow,
 and a quit-
 rent of 1d.
 over two
 acres,
 with all
 feudal su-
 periorities.
 * leaf 28,
 back.

20 [122.] To² all cristen men, &c³. Knowe þe all vs to haue
 i-graunted and to haue conformed to Ricarde forster³ of Hen-
 sinton and to hys heyres, for his homage and seruice, þe zifte
 and graunte þe which to hym made Eustach flizt Raph of
 24 j. mese and iiij. acris in þe feldes of Hensynton, with here
 pertinences,
 that is to say, that mese, with þe pertinences, that Symon
 Kat sumtyme helde; and ij. Acris of Arable londe in þe North-
 28 felde, of þe which j. dñ. Acre lyeth by Dene bache⁴, and j. forere
 lyeth by slichy⁵, and ij. dñ. Acres lyen in the telth þe which is
 i-called Orchardes fforlong; In the Sowthfelde, j. dñ. Acre lyeth
 cuyd Azenst þe howse þe which is of william lang hals, And
 32 j. halfe Acre lyeth at Wowyne⁶ Hegge, And j. dñ. Acre lieth
 abowe þe wey the which ledeth to Trope, and j. dñ. acre lieth
 bitwene þe þycke þurne path and grene wey: to be holde and

1258,
 Nov. 28.
 Confirma-
 tion by
 Oseney,
 to Richard
 Forster
 and heirs,
 of the grant
 by Eustace
 son of
 Ralph,
 of a messu-
 age, 2 acres
 in the
 North field,
 and 2 acres
 in the
 South-field,

¹ Marginal note:—'Hensyngton.'

² In MS. this deed is marked by a big bracket and the name 'Hensyngton' written beside it. The holding of Richard Forster here mentioned is one of those involved in

nos. 117, 118.

³ 'le forester' in the Latin.

⁴ 'Linche' in the Latin.

⁵ 'iuxta Rithi.'

⁶ 'Wolayne.'

at quit-rent
of 2s. 6d.,
with suit of
court and
homage.

to be had, to þe saide *Richard* and to his eyres, for ij. 3. and vj. d. 3erely to vs and to ouȝr successours in the day of Seynte Marten at Hensynton for euer to be payde for all seruice, sauynge to vs and to ouȝr successours sute of ouȝr courte of the forsaide *Richard* 4 and his heyres, and sauynge to vs homage aforsaide, And that hit schall not be lefult to the forsaide *Richard* and to his eyres oony thyng of the forsaide londes and mese to oony mañ to ley to wedde¹, selle, or to bequeth, without speciall licens of thabbot 3 of Oseneye and the Couent. Of þe which thyng, &c².

Reference
to no. (?) 21.

[123.] HIT² is to be mynded that thabbot of Oseney hath in the towne of Hensynton þe tithe of j. hide [of] londe perteynyng to the church of Seynte George of þe 3ifte of Robert Doyly, 12 as hit is open in the title of 'the³ fundacion of the Howse of Oseney,' the which londe þe templarijs holden.

[Knights
Templars.]

Reference
to nos. (?)
120-1.

[124.] ALSO þabbot hath j. hide of londe in the same towne, with A mese, medys, and oþer pertinences. 16

Reference
to no. 92.

[125.] ALSO note that we [have] a thyng to be remembrud of⁴ An Inquisicion i-made of ouȝr freedoms in Hensynton of Sute not to be doo at þe Hundrede of Worton⁵.

[XX. WYTHULLE.]

Reference
to nos. 21,
26, 29, 41.

[126.] ABBOT of Oseneye hath in Whithuff ij. parties of 20 þe scheves of all the Demayne sumtyme of Sire Hugh Wythulle, Knyght, and of ryght of all thyng the which is wonyd to be tithed perteynyng to the church of Seynte George, of þe 3ifte of [the] Doyllys, and confirmacion of Bisshopes and of þe chapter 24 of lincoln and of popis of Rome.

[XXI. GREAT BARTON.]

* leaf 29.
Reference
to nos. 129,

[127.] * HIT is to be knowe what⁶ we haue in grete Barton þe church with þe chapel of Sanforde and lodewell of þe

¹ 'invadiare.'

² In the MS. the four deeds (nos. 123-6), are marked by brackets, and in each case 'Nota' in the margin.

³ Apparently in error for 'How St. George's church was given to Oseney':

P. 22/4.

⁴ 'habemus memorandum de inquisitione.'

⁵ 'de Wottona,' correctly, in the Latin.

⁶ Read 'that': 'Sciendum quod habemus.'

gifte of Roger of Seynte John, and þe graunte of Hugh and Robert Bysshops of lincoln and of the chapter of þe same, and confirmacion of Gualc cardinalle and legate, with þe confirmacion of pope Honorye the thirdd.

[128.] In ¹ the Baylyfwyke of Barton ben conteyned þese : þat is to say, Grete Barton or þe more Barton, Barton odonis, Westcote Barton, Saunforde, ledewest, Groue, Rowlesham, Heyforde, lituff Tywe, þe more Tywe, and Dunstywe.

[129.] To all þe soonys of holy church to þe which þis present writyng shall come Roger i. of Seynte John helth in our lorde. Knowe 3e all [me], with assent and consent of William my Broþer, to haue i-gefe and to haue i-graunted, and with this present charter haue i-confermed, to pabbot and chanons of þe church of Seynte marie of Oseneye, for my helth and of myne and for þe Sowles of my aunceturs, þe church of Barton, in-to ffree and pure almes, with his pertinences, in tithis, in londres, in medn, in howses, in medys and pastures, in weyes and pathis, and in all oper thynges and fredoms and free customs the which þe forsaide church euer had in tyme of oony of my aunceturs whenne þeye had þeme best ² and fulliest. And this my gifte, that hit þe moor surer and stedfaster here-after may be, I maade hit in þe presente ³ of lorde John of Constances, Archedecun, and of all þe chapter at Oxenforde. These witnysses, &c².

About 1190 ? Grant to Oseney, by Roger (I) of St. John,

of the rectory of Great Barton (see in no. 37).

[130.] To all cristen men to the which this present writyng shall come John of saynte John helth in our lorde. Knowe 3e all me, for my helth and of myne, to haue i-grauntid, and with this present charter to haue i-confermed, to god and to the church of saynte marie of Oseneye and to the chanons there seruyng god, the gifte the which Roger of Seynte John my faduþ made to the same church and chanons vppon the church of Barton : to be had and to be hold to the same, in-to pure free and perpetuell almes, with all his pertinences, In tithis, In

About 1215. Confirmation to Oseney, by John (I) of St. John, of his father's gift as in no. 129.

¹ Nos. 128-34 are marked in the MS. with a line drawn right down the leaf; and several of them have 'Nota' or other

marginal mark.

² 'melius et plenius.'

³ By a slip for 'presence.'

londes, men, howses, medys and pastures, weyes, patthis, and in all other thynges, fredoms, and fre customs, the which euer had þe forsaide church in the tyme of oony of my aunceturs when hit had theme best and fulliest, as þe charter of my saide fadur 4 (the which vppon [this] þey haue) witnesseth. And that this my graunte and confirmacion bide sure and stedfaste for Euer, ꝛ.

Reference
to no. 141.

[131.] BARTON. The charter of John ij. of Seynt John seke after, the which was Nevywe of the helder John and 8 the soone of Roger the secunde.

About
1170.
Grant to
Steeple
Barton
church,
by Roger
(I) of St.
John, of a
quarter-
yardland,
* leaf 29,
back.
viz. $3\frac{1}{4}$ acres
in North-
field,
and $3\frac{1}{4}$ acres
in South-
field,

with a
bond-
widow ten-
ant and
her son,
and $\frac{1}{2}$ an
acre of
meadow,
for leave
to have a
chantry in
his chapel,
except on

[132.] To all soonys of our hooly modur the church to the which this present charter shall come Roger of Seynt John helth. To the knowlegynge of 3ow all I wyll hit come me 12 to haue i-geve, and to haue i-grauntid; to god and to the church of Seynte marie of Bartoñ, in-to pure and perpetueñ almes, thre acris of londe and the iiij. parte of j. acre in oon feld; and al so much in a-nother felde; In the Northfelde, ij. acris and the 16 iiij. parte of j. acre * þe which liē Above Wadbrech, and the thirde Acre þe which lieth by Bryctewelle nygh be the wey; In the Sowthfelde, gorys the which godric helde the which maken ij. acres, and the thirde acre the which is the hede of 20 the gorys, and the iiij. parte of j. acre the which lyith by that londe 1 and that londe the which lyith bitwene þe courte of the persoñ of the nowe-saide church and the howse of Ailmare as the newe Dicke and the walf of my Bartoñ 2 closeth: ffurper- 24 more, I haue i-geve and i-grauntid; to god and to þe forsaide church, anneys my natife or bonde-womañ 3 (the which was the wife of Odo), with Raph the soone of the same Anneys; and dñ. Acre of mede at Rogheford the which lieth to 4 the mede of 28 Water ffrankeleyne: to be hold, of me and my heyrys, frely and quietly, fro all seruice and seculer exaccion. This 3ifte and graunt I made for A chaunterye to be had in my chapel of Bartoñ, free and quietly fro the subieccion of the modur church, 32 outetake that pat at v. days solemue 5 (pat is to say, of the

¹ Read 'acre.' The words which follow are probably part of the boundaries of this rood, and not a further item of the grant.

² 'de bertona mea.' For this word see in no. 178.

³ An alternative rendering. The Latin is 'Agnetam nativam meam que fuit.'

⁴ 'adiacet prato.'

⁵ 'ad quinque dies solemnes.'

Birth of ou^r lorde; In the Daye of goodefridaye; In the
 Daye of Estu^r; In Witsondaye; and In the Daye of the
 Assumpcion of ou^r laydy) I and my howsold^r to the modu^r
 4 church schall come, if by case¹ in that tyme hit happen^d
 me pere to Abide; and whatsoever chapeleyne I holde²,
 By the sacrament of feith hee schall be bownde that to
 the modu^r church and to the mynsters pere seruyng god [he]
 8 shall kepe feythe; and, as pe custome is, if hit happe my wife
 to be i-spedde in child-beryng at Barton, at pe modu^r church
 her purificacion sche [shall] make; And if hit happe me
 thorough all the lent to tary or to Abide³ at Barton, my
 12 howsholde, pe which shall be with me, of the chapeleyne of
 the modu^r church confession shall take. And that this my
 gifte, &c⁹.

five chief days
 when he and
 his household
 must attend
 the parish
 church.

His chaplains
 to take oath
 not to injure
 the parish
 church.

His wife is to
 be churched
 at the parish
 church and to
 pay her offer-
 ing there.

His household
 is to make
 Easter con-
 fession at the
 parish church

[133.] GUALE, By the mercy of god, title of Seynte Marteyne
 16 preste cardinall, popis legat, to the loued Soones Abbot and
 chanons of Oseneye helth in ou^r lorde. To ry3ghfull desires of
 axer it is worthy vs to 3eve liz3ht assent and the Desires the
 wich discorde not fro the pathe of reson with⁴ effecte (or doying)
 20 folowyng to fulfille. Perfore, beloued Soones in oure lorde,
 to 3ow^r ry3ghfull axynges with free assent we hauyng course,
 pe church of Barton with the chapeill of Sanforde and with oper
 her pertinences, pe which to 3ow the worschipfull fadu^r, Hugh,
 24 Bisshop of lincoln, of the consent of his chapiter, with the saide
 chapeill and oper pertinences, in-to pere⁵ owne visis, to pe sus-
 teynyng of poor meⁿ and pilgrimes, graunted, as hit appereth
 by his open⁶ instrument to 3ow and by 3ow to 3ow^r church as in
 28 that Instrument fully Is i-conteyned, By the auctorite of the
 legacie the which we haue we conferme and with the help
 of this present writyng we make sure. Therefore hit shall not
 vturly be lawfull to oony maⁿ to Breke this ou^r writyng or to
 32 goo agaynste hit with a frowarde boldenes; and if oony maⁿ
 this presume to attempte, the Indignacion of Almy3ghty god^r
 and of the hooly church of rome knowe 3e hym-selfe to be runne

1217,
 Jan. 19.
 Confirma-
 tion to
 Oseney,
 by Gualo,
 cardinal
 and legat,

of Great
 Barton
 church and
 Sandford
 chapel,
 as in
 no. 134.

Anathema
 against
 violators,

¹ 'si forte tunc temporis.'

² 'retinuero.'

³ Alternative rendering of the one word
 'morari.'

⁴ 'effectu prosequente complere.'

⁵ Read 'your': 'in usus proprios.'

⁶ 'publicum.'

in. Datum at Abendon the xiiij. k̄k of februarye, of the Bisshop-
 * leaf 30. hoo de of lorde * Honorye þe thirde the secunde 3ere.

1217,
 Oct. 14.
 Confirmation
 to
 Oseney,
 by the
 diocesan,

of Steeple
 Barton
 rectory, as
 in no. 129,
 to sustain
 poor men
 and pil-
 grims,
 as also the
 chapel of
 Sandford,

the rela-
 tion be-
 tween
 which and
 Barton
 church
 is obscure

(subject to
 the life-
 interest of
 William of
 St. John,
 now rector),

[134.] To aft cristen men to the which this present charter
 shaft come Hugh¹, By the grace of god Bisshop of lincoln, helth⁴
 in oure lorde. We attendyng þe Religioñ and honest conuersa-
 cion of oure loued soones thabbot and chanons of Oseneye, for
 the sake of goddis mercy, we haue Decreyd, of the assent of the
 deen and chapiter of lincoln, the church of Barton with þe per-⁸
 tinencis (whoos aduocacion they haueñ of the gifte of Roger of
 Seynte John, of the same church patrone) in-to þere owne vses,
 to þe susteynyng of powre men and pilgrymys to graunte and
 By the Bisshopes auctorite to conferme. Truly, for-as-much as¹²
 þey² saide the church of Saunforde to be þe modur church, And
 oþer seyde hit to be a chapel to þe church of Barton per-
 teynyng, we, willyng vppon þis fully to be i-certified, [caused]
 an Inquisicion þerof to be maade diligent³ By the Archdecan of¹⁶
 the place and by feithfull men in the chapiter⁴. Þe which aft,
 i-swore, vndur þe Dewte of þere othe seide hit to be per-
 teynyng as a chapel to þe church of Barton. But napeles
 as A modur church we haue i-founde hit, of aft Burtons and²⁰
 customs Episcopals and Archidiaconals answeyng. Whereof
 a⁵ counsell i-had of the deen and of owr chapiter, of the
 counsell of wise men, þe forsaide church of Barton, with þe
 chapel of Sannforde, with oþer pertinences, to þe forsaide²⁴
 Abbot & couent for Euer we haue i-grauntid in-to þer owne
 vses; to þe susteynyng of hospitalite A-foraide to be conuertid⁶
 or turne⁶, sauyng þe Bisshop and archedecons customs of þe
 forsaide chapel of Saunforde, of⁷ þe modur church as wee haue²⁸
 i-saide afore, sauyng also to william of Seynte John persone
 of þe church of Barton and of Saunforde in⁸ his pesible pos-
 session while he leueth. Also we ordeyne that, after þe decese
 of þe forsaide person, a conuenient chapeleyne to vs & to our³²

¹ Hugh of Wells, bishop of Lincoln,
 1209-35.

² Read 'some': 'quidam dicebant.'

³ 'diligentem': agreeing with 'inquisi-
 tionem.'

⁴ i. e. of the rural deanery.

⁵ Read 'the consent': 'Unde habito con-
 sensu.'

⁶ Alternative rendering of 'conuertent-
 dam.'

⁷ Read 'as of a': 'tanquam de ecclesia
 matrice.'

⁸ Omit 'in.' The translator has for-
 gotten that he is rendering an ablative
 absolute: 'salua . . . possessione.'

successours to þe perpetuell vicariage of þe church of Bartoñ, of thabbot and couent, be presentid^r, þe which shall take, In þe name of þe perpetuell vicariage, all þe Auterage of þe
 4 same church, with dñ. hide of londe to þe same church perteynyng, and^r with an howse þe which Thomas Senex helde; and^r to þe perpetuell vicariage of þe chapeñ of Saunforde be presentid^r also to vs & to ou^r successours a conuenient
 8 chapeleyne, þe which shall take all þe obuencion^s (or¹ vayles) of þe Auter of þe same chapeñ, with þe smale tithis, and^r with iiij. acris and^r dñ. to þe smale² chapeñ perteynyng. And the vicare to þe which hit longeth to serue þe chapeñ of
 12 ledwell shall make hit to be i-seruyd^r as hit ofteth, and^r he shall take þe thride parte of all tithis of grove³ for nedefull susteynyng of a chapeleyne and^r þe forsaide vicares all burdon^s of þe forsaide church and^r chapeñ at⁴ Saunforde
 16 shall susteyne Episcopals and^r archidiaconals i-wonyd⁵, outetake þe herborogh⁶ of þe Bisshop and^r of þe Archidecon. And þat all þese aforethynges sure and^r vnbroke Abide, þem with this present writyng and^r with ou^r [seal] we haue i-willed^r
 20 to be confermed^r, Sauyng in all thynges þe Bisshops customs and^r þe dignite of þe church of lincoln. Thes witnesses, &c⁷.

the services to be undertaken by perpetual vicars.

The vicar of Barton shall have (a) the altarage, (b) half a hide of land, (c) a house; the vicar of Sandford shall have (a) the altarage, (b) the small tithes, (c) 4½ acres of land;

one or other to serve Ledwell chapel, and take ⅓rd of the tithes of Grove.

Said vicars to pay ecclesiastical charges, but not to be subject to 'herborogh' of bishop or arch-deacon.

[135.] To all cristen^e pepul^e to þe which this present writyng schall come Hugh⁷, By þe grace of god Bisshop of
 24 lincoln, helth in ou^r lorde. Leste þoo Benefettes þe which ben i-geve to religiouse by for-getyng oftymes⁸ to be i-beried^r mowe, and^r to be withdrawe by schredenes⁹ of cursed^r meñ, we haue i-willed^r to take¹⁰ þem to þe Surenyss of writyng and^r to make
 28 hit sure with þe help of ou^r seele: þefore to þe knowlegyng of

About 1190? Confirmation to Osency,

by the diocesan,

¹ An alternative rendering: 'omnes ob-
 vencionēs altaris.'

² Read 'same': 'ad eandem capellam.'

³ Marginal note:—'Grove.'

⁴ Read 'of': 'de.'

⁵ Note the plural suffixes of the adjectives: 'opera... episcopalia et archidiaconalia consueta.'

⁶ 'hospitium.'

⁷ It is possible that this confirmation is by Hugh of Avalon, bishop of Lincoln 1186-1200. The preceding charter, appointing vicarages, is by Hugh of Wells, but is placed first through the prevalent

error which ascribes Hugh of Wells's acts to his more famous predecessor. Rev. H. Salter notes that the original of no. 134 (in Christ Church Treasury) is correctly endorsed 'Carta Hugonis episcopi, quondam archidiaconi Wellensis,' but that an early hand has inserted 'Sci.' before Hugonis.

⁸ Read 'of times': 'temporum obliuione possint sepeliri.'

⁹ i. e. shrewdness: 'malignorum prauitate.'

¹⁰ 'commendare.'

of Black-
bourton
chapel,

* leaf 30,
back.

and Steeple
Barton
Church.

þow all we will hit come vs to haue ferme, and to conferme with þe present charter, þe 3iftes, as þey haue i-be made resonably, to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god; of our i-loued soones * in criste Raph 4 Murdac² and Hugh of Bourton vppoñ the chapel of Bourton, and of Roger of Seynte John vppoñ the church of Barton. The which that hit may be had ferme and sure with this present writyng and with our seele we haue i-wylled to be 8 i-strenghtid; &c².

1220,
Apr. 20.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by Hono-
rius III,

of no. 134.

Anathema
against
violators.

[136.] HONORY, Bisshop, seruaunt of þe seruauntes of god, ꝑ. To ryȝhtfull peticiõs hit is worþi vs to ȝeue lyȝht consentyng and to fille Effectually þe Desires þe which discorde not fro the 12 path of resoñ: Þerfore, well beloued soones in our lorde, to ȝour ryȝhtfull axinges we willyng with goode assent, þe church of Barton with þe chapel of Sanforde and þere oþer pertinences, þe which our worschipfull Broþer Bisshop of lincoln, diocesañ 16 of the place, with consent of his chapter and of þe patrones of þe same church comyng-to¹, to ȝow, to ȝour sustenaunce, with goode and wise liberalnesse hathi i-grauntid (as in the same Bisshops letters is i-conteyned), to ȝow, and by ȝow to ȝowr 20 church, By the Apostles auctorite, we conferme and make sure with þe help of this writyng. Þerfore of our confirmaciõ or to goo Agaynste hit schall not be vturly to noo mañ lefult or to goo Agaynste hit with frowarde boldenesse; And if oony 24 to attempte presumyth, þe Indignaciõ of Almyȝhty god & of his Blessed apostles petur and paule knowe he hym-self to haue i-Runne In. The Date, at Viterbe, the xij. k̃k of May, of his Bisshop-hode þe iiij. ȝere. 28

About
1220?
Grant to
Oseney, by
John of
St. John,
of pasture
for 6 oxen,
2 cows,

[137.] Know they that be present and to be that I, John of Seynte John², for my helth and of my aunceturs, haue i-ȝeue, graunted, and with my present charter [confermed], to god and to þe church of seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanons þere 32 seruyng god, in-to ffree pure and perpetuell Almes, pasture³ in my Demayne to vj. oxen and ij. kyne and to two bestes⁴ where

¹ 'accedente' agreeing with 'consensu.'

² Died 1230.

³ 'Nota' in margin.

⁴ 'averia.'

my shepe¹ of Bartoñ feede, and to lx. shepe where my shepe
 feede, and free Entryng and owte-gooyng to þe same pastures,
 and pasture to xx. of there hogges where my hogges fede: and
 4 in-to wisse of this thyng to þis present writyng my seele
 I haue i-put. These witnesses, &c².

2 bullocks
 (or steers),
 60 sheep,
 and 20 pigs.

[138.] THIS is þe finall accorde i-made In þe courte of our
 lorde Kyngat oxonforde, fro þe Day of þe Holy trinite in-to þe
 8 xv. Dayes, in þe 3ere of the reyne of Kyng Henry þe soone
 of Kyng John xxxj., afore Roger of Turkelby, Gilbert of preston,
 Mayster Symoñ of Bampton³, and John Goveham⁴, Justices
 Jorneyng, and other feythfull men of our lorde þe Kyng thenne
 12 þere beyng present, Bitwene John, Abbot of Oseney, playner,
 and Roger of Seynte John, deforc.⁵, of xxv. acris of londe and
 j. Mille, with þe pertinenes, in Odebartoñ⁶, and of xv. acris of
 londe and iij. Mesys, with þe pertinenes, in stepulbartoñ and
 16 oxenforde, whereof þe plee⁷ of 'conuencion' whas i-summonyd
 bitwene them in þe same courte⁸: and bitwene thabbot, playner,
 and þe forsaide Roger, letter⁹, of þe pasture to vj. oxen, twey
 kyne, and two bestes¹⁰, lx. shepe, and xxii hogges, in þe Demayne
 20 pasture of þe same Roger in stepulbartoñ, and whereof [the¹¹
 plea of] 'warantize of A charter' was i-summonyd bitwene þem
 in the same courte, þat is to say, that þe same Roger aforsaide
 receyuyng¹² þe forsaide xv.¹³ acris of londe and þe forsaide
 24 Milfe, with þe pertinenes, in Odebartoñ, also with þe ponde
 and water of þe same Mylle and fisshyng of þe same water,
 as muche as to þe same Roger and to hys heyres perteynyth,
 how¹³ muche þe clo^{*}se of þe same Abbot durith, and also the
 28 forsaide iij. mesys, with the pertinenes, in oxonforde, that is to
 say, j. mese that is Bitwene Segrym of the corne and the lond
 that was of Andrewe tod, and that mese that Roger pompe
 sumtyme helde in the parisch of seynt Mildrith, and that mese
 32 that Water Brehuff sumtyme helde in the parisch of seynte

1247,
 June.
 Agreement
 between
 Oseney and
 Roger (II)
 of St. John

[in respect
 of (a) 25
 acres and a
 mill (with
 its water-
 supply and
 fishing-
 rights) in
 Barton
 Odonis (as in
 no. 143), (b)
 15 acres in
 Steeple Bar-
 ton, (c) 3
 messuages
 in Oxford,
 and (d) of
 pasture as
 in no. 137],
 by which
 Roger of
 St. John
 granted to
 Oseney (a);
 and (b);

* leaf 31.
 and (c);

¹ Read 'oxen': 'boves' in Latin.

² 'de Bauton,' in Latin: read Wauton.

³ 'Cobeham,' in Latin.

⁴ 'deforciantem.'

⁵ Name noted in margin. Ode-Barton = Barton Odonis, a manor in the parish of Great Barton.

⁶ 'placitum conventionis.'

⁷ 'Nota' in margin.

⁸ 'impedientem.'

⁹ 'duos afferos.'

¹⁰ 'placitum warancie carte.'

¹¹ Read 'acknowledged': 'recognovit.'

¹² The Latin has, correctly, 'xxv.'

¹³ i. e. as far as the enclosure belonging to the abbot of Oseney reaches.

John Baptiste, to be the ryght of the same Abbot and of his church of Oseneye, and them he relese^d and quite-claymed, of hym-selfe and of his heyres, to the forsaide Abbot and to his successours and to his church for Euer; and furpermore þe 4 same Roger remittid And grauntid the forsaide xxv. acris¹ of londe, with the pertinences, in Stepulbarton to be thee ryght of the same Abbot and of his church of Oseneye, so that hit schall be lawfull to þe same Abbot and to his successours to 8 close [the foresaid] xv. acres of londe, and also all the pasture of the same Abbot the wich lieth Bitwene þe forsaide xv. acris of the londe And the churchzerde of the church of stepulbarton and the courte of the same Abbot in þe same towne, with wasse, 12 dich, or haye, and hit in-to defence to put and² his profite þerof at his wyll to doo, withoute agayne-saying to³ the same Roger and to³ his heyres, withoute oony clayme or⁴ oony ryght or commune þe which þe same roger or his heyres mowen⁵ 16 clayme or axe within þe forsaide close for Euer, sauynge to þe same Roger and to his heyres A pathe þorowgh þe middull of þe same close fro þe stile of þe forsaide church of⁶ þe forsaide Misse of Odebarto By the which hym-selfe and all his men 20 may goo and to come for here wyll vppon foote allonly as þat pathe was þe day in þe which þis Acorde whas i-maade: and also þe same Roger receyued⁷ þe forsaide pasture to vj. oxen, ij. kyne, ij. bestes, lx. schepe, and xx. hogges, in þe Demayne 24 pasture of the same Roger and of his heyres⁸ in the same towne where the Demayne bestes of the same roger and of his heyres fede, that is to say, to oxen with oxen, to kyne with hys kyne, to bestes with his Bestes, to shepe with his shepe, to hogges 28 with his hogges, to be the ryght⁹ of the same Abbot and hys aforesaide church, as hit þe which þe predecessours of the same Abbot [and¹⁰ his foresaid church have had of the gift of John son of Roger, father of said Roger, whose heir he is. And the 32 same Abbot] and his successours schall haue and holde þe fore-

(with leave to enclose the land in Steeple Barton and its appendant pasture

[pasture 'in defence'] absolutely to the use of Oseney,

except for a foot-path),

and (d).

¹ The Latin has, correctly, 'xv.'

² i. e. 'and to do (i. e. make) his profit.' The English follows the Latin order.

³ Read 'of.'

⁴ Read 'of': 'absque aliquo clamio cuius iuris vel commune.'

⁵ 'poterunt clamare.'

⁶ Read 'to': 'usque ad.'

⁷ Read 'acknowledged': 'recognovit.'

⁸ MS. repeats 'in the Demayne pasture of the same Roger and of his heyres.'

⁹ MS. adds 'of the ryght,' in error.

¹⁰ Added from the Latin.

saide xv. acris and¹ londe, and the forsaide pasture, with his pertinences, of p^o forsaide Roger & his [heirs], in-to pure and perpetuell almes, frely and quietly fro all seculer service and
 4 exaccion for Eue^r: and the same Roger and his heyres schaff warantize, aquite, and Defende, to the same Abbot and to his successours and to his church aforesaide, pe forsaide xv. Acris of londe, and all pe foresaide pasture, with his pertinences, as it
 8 is i-saide afore, as ffree pure and his perpetuell almys, agaynste all men for Eue^r. And as² for this relese, ande quyte-clayme, warantizing, acquityng, defendyng, fine, and concorde, pe forsaide Abbot *recognized* and grauntid³ x. marke³ of londe, with pe
 12 pertinences, in the foresaide towne of stepulbarton, pat is to say, all that telth, with pe pertinences, pe which lieth Bitwene p^o howse pe which whas sumtyme of Richard prynke and Brecforlonge, with the mede of Blacwell that to po pe⁴ x. acris
 16 of londe perteyneth, as⁵ ryght of the same Roger, as poo pe which p^o aunceturs of the same Roger had in-to Eschaunge for the⁶ x. acris of londe of the forsaide xv. acris within the forsaide close: to be had and to be holde, to the same Roger and
 20 to his heyres, free and quiete fro all [secular] service and exaccion for Eue^r: And the same Abbot and his successours schaff warantize, acquite, and defende, to pe same Roger and to his heyres, the foresaide x. acris of londe, with the foresaide
 24 mede, and all his other pertinences, free ande * quite fro all seculer service & exaccion agaynste all men for Eue^r.

In return Oseney recognized Roger (II) of St. John's right to ten acres and meadow in Steeple (i. e. Great) Barton, obtained by exchange from Oseney.

* leaf 31, back.

[139.] THIS is the conuencion⁷ i-maade bitwene thabbot and Couent of Colchester of the oone parte, and thabbot and Couent
 28 of Oseney of the oþer, that is to say, pat the foresaide Abbot and munkes haue i-grauntid and take to pe saide chanons all the tithis (both more ande smale) towchyng them in the pariches [of⁸ the churches] of Barton⁹ and of Sanforde⁹ and in ledewell⁹

About 1222. Perpetual lease to Oseney, by St. John's Abbey, Colchester,

¹ Read 'of.'

² Omit 'as.'

³ Read 'acres,' as in the Latin, and lower down.

⁴ Omit 'p^o.'

⁵ i. e. 'to be the right': 'esse ius.'

⁶ Omit 'the.'

⁷ In 1222, about June, a council was held at Oxford, to make canons conform-

able to those of the Lateran Council of 1215. The abbot of Colchester may well have attended this, and talked over the Barton property with the abbot of Oseney. Oseney had just acquired (no. 136) the rectory of Barton. See *The Essex Review*, xiv. 149.

⁸ Added from the Latin.

⁹ Names noted in the margin: but spelling 'Sandeford.'

of Colches-
ter tithes
and lands
in this
district,

for £3
yearly,

under
penalty of
£6 13s. 4d.
on occasion
of each fail-
ure to pay
the rent ;
with obliga-
tion to en-
tertain at
Osney the
Abbot of
Colchester,
his retinue,
and eight
horses, for
three days
on each
occasion of
his coming
near Ox-
ford. Lease
to begin
upon expiry
of the ex-
isting lease
to John son
of William
of St. John.

Colchester
to give war-
ranty, if
needed, but
Osney to
pay
the costs.
Provisions

Ande in Groue, of the londe of John of Seynte John, with ij. Acris
of londe the which pey had in Barton for A mansion (or¹ Dwel-
lyng), [and² for one mansion] that they had at Sanforde with
j. Acre of londe pere, pe which John of Seynte John, clerke, helde 4
of the same : to be had and to be holde, to the saide chanons,
of the forsaide Munckes, in the name of A perpetueff ferme,
3eldyng perof 3erely lx. 3. of Sterlynges within viij. dayes nexte
goyng befor pe feste of the natiuite of Seynte John Baptiste at 8
colchester. And if the foresaide chanons, at pe terme i-sett,
the foresaide rent pay not to the foresaide place, pat pey schaff
3eve to the foresaide Munckes al so ofte as hit happeneth x. marke
in the name of A peyne, at pe warnyng of pabbot of colchester, 12
in A certeyne day of hym i-3eve, to be i-browght In ; And
if nede call pabbot of Colchester in-to pe Cuntreis³ of oxon-
forde, hit schaff be Dewe to pe same Abbot and to his men and
to viij. horsis⁴ in the Howse of Osney conuenient purueyng⁵, 16
by thre Dayes, if the same Abbot so longe pere if⁶ with Abide ;
and safe schaff Abide and be to John ffigt William of Seynte
John, clerke, of⁷ pe saide monkes his ferme vppoñ pe same
tithis and aforsaide londes the which he holdeth of theme, vnto 20
his full terme and not by-3onde ; and if within pe⁸ terme hee dye
or els⁸ lefe to haue thoo tithis, pe foresaide chanons aff poo tithis
anone schaff take and haue, and freo that tyme forthe for them
pe foresaide money 3erely to pay schaff Begynne, so (that is 24
to say) that, in the ffirst 3ere after pey haue bee in possession
of pe foresaide tithis, afore pe⁹ takyng of pe ffritis of the ffirst
3ere, pey schaff pay afore-handes to pe foresaide Munckes pe
rent of aff oone hoole 3ere hooly, that is to say, lx. 3. and after- 28
[wards⁹, after having received the fruits of the second year, the
foresaid yearly rent] pay schaff pay in the foresaide terme
and place i-sett : and the ry3ght of pe foresaide tithis been
i-holde thabbot and Munckes of Colchester to the same chanons, 32
with pe costis of pe same chanons, to warantize. Also hit is to
be knowe pat¹⁰ by noone oldenysse fro pe mynde of men py¹¹

¹ Alternative rendering of 'pro manso.'

² Added from the Latin. The inverted order of words is also in the Latin. Read : 'and with j. acre of londe that they had at Sanforde for one mansion pere.'

³ 'in partes Oxon.'

⁴ 'et viii. equitaturis.'

⁵ 'procuracio competens.'

⁶ Omit 'if.'

⁷ 'dictorum monachorum firma sua.'

⁸ 'vel aliter.'

⁹ Added from the Latin.

¹⁰ i. e. 'that, lest by any *vetustas*, etc.'

¹¹ Read 'this' ; 'dimissio ista.'

lettyng-owte, as hit is above i-write, hit be i-callid' agayne ¹, pat, al so off[t] hit is i-say to þe munckes to be goode, þis scripture (or wrytyng) off[t] to be renewed with newe selynge of þe seale of
 4 þe chapiter of Oseneye. Also þe prelate of þe church of Osney i-chaungid' the which is now, all þe prelates succedyng to hym, the prelates ² by them-selfe or þere procuratour, in þe chapiter of Seynte John of Colchester, with-in xl. dayes fro þere intronizacion, to come they ofte to make ffewte vppon the foresaide thynges, to offer oone Besaunte of goolde þere in-to þe hande of þe presidente, þe same chanons with þe foresaide payne to be i-punyssed and ³ this be not obserued. Also þe same Abbot and
 12 chanons charchis ⁴ Burdon to þe same tithis schaff Euer susteyne. And in-to þe strength of þe same thyng perpetuell ⁵, and witnesse, the foresaide parties to this present wrytyng in-to two parties diuided (or departid'), oþer to oþer, there seales haue
 16 i-putt. Of the which wrytyng partis at ⁶ þe remembrid' munckes and chanons Euerich to other Abiden.

for re-writing and re-sealing the deed, in case of damage. Each new abbot of Oseney (personally or by deputy) to renew these covenants at Colchester, and offer a bezant of gold, under penalty as above. Oseney to discharge all burdens due by said tithes.

[140.] * THE dedicacion of the church of Barton ⁷, By reynolde ⁸ Bisshop Clonense, in the diocese of lincoln, þe which
 20 church he halowed in the stede of worschipfull ffadur Richard ⁹ By þe grace of god Bisshop of lincoln, xj. KK of Jule In the 3ere of owre lorde M^c CC lxxij., with þe Auters of þe same church, grauntyng to all men and women, verely contrite and confessid,
 24 þe same church euery 3ore, the same saide day and þorowgh þe vtase, causa ¹⁰ of deuocion, visityng, or ¹¹ oony goode dedes doying, xl. dayes of pardoñ of penaunce to þem enionyd, in the stede, and by the auctorite, of þe saide lorde Bisshop of lincoln, to þe
 28 which he put to his seale: i-3eue þe daye and 3ere aforenamyd.

* leaf 32. 1273, June 21. Dedication of St. Mary's church, Great (i.e. Steeple) Barton, by deputy of the diocesan, with grant of indulgence at the anniversary.

¹ 'aucocetur, quod, quociens visum fuerit monachis expedire, debet ista scriptura.'

² Repeated unnecessarily.

³ 'And' = 'if': 'si et hoc non fuerit obseruatum.'

⁴ *sic*. The Latin is 'onera eisdem decimis incidentia.'

⁵ 'perpetuum' agreeing with 'robur.'

⁶ 'penes memoratos monachos.'

⁷ Name noted in margin. The dedication may have been on occasion of rebuilding the church: but Rev. H. Salter tells me that, at this period, there were so many dedications in Lincoln diocese that it is

difficult to account for them by the rebuilding theory. The English greatly condenses the Latin.

⁸ i.e. Reginald, bishop of Cloyne. In 1273 he dedicated the churches of Weston-on-the-Green, Waterperry, Stone, and Barton, and a cemetery at Forest-hill. He died that year.

⁹ Richard de Gravesend, bishop of Lincoln (1258-81).

¹⁰ Latin word left untranslated, by a slip.

¹¹ 'seu aliqua de bonis sibi a deo collatis pie impenderint subsidia caritatis.'

128 $\frac{1}{2}$, Jan.
Confirmation
to
Oseney, by
John (II) of
St. John,

of a mill &
5 yardlands
at Weston-
on-the-
Green,

of Steeple
Barton
rectory,

and of all
his pro-
decessors'
grants.

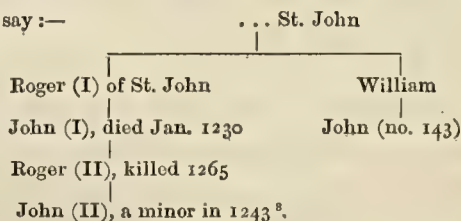
[141.] To all men this writyng to se or to hire, John of Seynte John, lorde of more Barton, helth. Knowe 3e me to haue relesid and vturly to haue quite-claymed, for me and my heyres and myne assynes, to god and to þe church of Seynte marye of 4 Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, all the ry3ght and clayme that I had, or in any maner wise my3ght haue, (in the ¹ ry3ght and clayme) in the ² Milfe, and v. 3erdes of londe, with all the pertineuces, in the townd of Westoñ³ with-out Burcetur⁴, 8 þe which is i-called Symones londe. I haue i-grauntid also and confermed, for me and my heyres and myne assynes for Euer, to þe saide church and chanons, the church of more Barton, the which they haue in-to propur vsis, with all here pertinences, ¹² and also all maner tenementis, with all possessions and fredoms, the which they haue of 3iftes and confermynges of myne aun- cetur: to be had and to be holde, in-to free and perpetuell almes, so that nother I, nother myne assynes, nother noone ¹⁶ in owre name, cony ry3ght or clayme in the fore-put thynges hereafter may axe or challenge. In-to witnesse of the which, to this present writyng my seele I haue put to. These witnesses, Sire Richard Willamscothe⁵, &c⁶. 20

This⁶ writyng was i-made afore sir Salomoñ of Rowchester and his felaw Justices Jurneyng in oxforde-schire, after the fest of Saynte Hillarye in the 3ere of the rayne of Kyng Edward the Soone of Kyng Henry xii^o. 24

Notice of
the St.
John
family.

[142.] NOTE⁶ that this John of Saynte John was the soone and heyre of Roger of Saynte John (the which 3afe to vs the church of Barton), and gate Roger the which was i-sley in the Bateñ of Eyuesham⁷, and that Roger gate John of Saynte John, 28

[NOTE.—That is to say :—



¹ Omit the bracketed words, repeated in error from above.

² Read 'a.'

³ Name noted in margin,

⁴ Bicester.

⁵ Of Kiddington, Sheriff of Oxfordshire this year.

⁶ 'Nota' in margin.

⁷ 'in bello de Euesham.'

⁸ *Testa de Neville*, p. 100 b.

It appears by no. 37 that William of St. John of no. 143 was brother of Roger (I). This will be noted as an instance of the marriage of clerics : cp. no. 147.]

[XXII.] ¶ BARTON ODONYS.

- [143.] HIT is to be noted that Odo of Barton feffid sumtyme Willyam of Saynte John, person of the church of more Barton, of owr Milte of Barton, that Robert of Arsich confermyd to hym.
- 4 The saide Willyam, person aforesaide, feffid John of Saynte John, clerke¹, ys soon, of the saide Milte with londes and his pertinences; and the same John in his laste wille Bequathe[d] saide mylte with londes and other pertinences to the Howse
- 8 of Oseney, as hit is open By his testament² seelyd with his seale and of his executours, the which ze schall fynde i-write with-in þe title of 'the Borowgh of oxonforde,' and confirmacion vpon the same Milte folowen in this title of 'Barton Odo.'
- 12 [144.] * KNOWE thoo that Be present and to be that I, William of Saynte John, 3afe, grauntid, and confermed and Deliuered, to John my norysch³, the Milte of Barton, with all his pertinences, that I held and had of Odo, Knyzght of Barton,
- 16 and of his heyres, the which is of the fee of Sir Robert Arsich and Dame lorette of ffontaynes and of Robert folioth, for homage and his seruice, with the mese and crofte and all the felde.
- [145.] KNOWE thoo that be present and to be that [I], William of Saynte John, 3afe, grauntid, and deliuryd, to John my norisch³, the mylle of Barton, with all his pertinences, that I held and had of Odo, Knyzght of Barton, and of his Eyres, that is of the ffe of Sir Robert Arsich and of Dame lorette
- 24 of ffontaynes and of Robert folioth, for his homage and seruice, with a mese and crofte and⁴ all the felde londe the which longeth to the same Milte,

Descent of Barton mill (as in no. 145),

as confirmed in no. 147.

* leaf 32, back. Unfinished draft of no. 145.

About 1200. Grant to John of St. John, clerk, by his father William, of a mill, messuage, and [an augmented half-yard-land?]

nos. 143, 147. William is said to be father, and John, son. The Latin is: 'Iohanni nutrito meo.'

⁴ 'et cum tota terra campestri, que pertinet.'

¹ 'clericum suum.'

² Printed in *Engl. Hist. Review*, April 1905.

³ The word 'norisch' = 'alumnus' was perhaps chosen because of the disrepute attaching to the marriage of clerics. In

viz. in one field, 8 acres of old land and 6 of increase; and, in the other field, the same amount.

[The sloo-
tree.]

that is to say, in j. felde, ij. acris in Dennessewey¹, and ij. acris Bi the mede, and ij. acris in Willanesdene², and ij. vndur the langedale, and ij. By schuckelawe, and ij. By-3onde the way of Bamforde, and halfe j. By foxwell, and halfe j. By 4 Caldewell, and j. By langlaslade³; and in the oper felde, ij. acris in the northe of the crosse By the wey, and halfe j. in Raggeweyfurlong⁴, and iij. half-acris in Crotlande, and iij. halfe-acris in myddulfurlong, and ij. at slo tre forde, and 8 j. in the Northe of the way, and j. atte sloo tre forde, and j. halfe in Etefurlonge, and ij. in langefurlong, and ij. at sloo tre forde By the way, whereof vj. acris ben of newe feffement of myne Demayne, and viij. asorenamed of olde feffement 12 of iij. feys, Euenlike and⁵ the othe^r felde: to be had & to holde, to hym and to hys Eyres, of me, or [to] whome-so-Euer (or⁶ all other) to geve, to selle, or assyne he willeth, frely quietly and pesibly, and quite fro all service and exaccion al so 16 much as longeth to me or to myne, as charters and confirmacions the which of the foresaide Milte I had; By seruyce of the chefe lordes, witnesse. Thes witnesses, &c.⁷

About
1240?
Grant to
Oseney, by
Henry of
Saundon,
of lands in
Barton and
Rousham,
with man-
orial rights,

[146.] KNOWE thay that be now and to Be that I, Henry of 20 Saunde^r, clerck, 3afe grauntid toke & deliuered, and with this present charter conformed, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to god & to pe church of Saynte mary of Oseney and to pe chanons pere seruyng god, all my londe that I had in pe towne of 24 Bartoñ and in the towne of Rolesham, with all seruices and seruages⁸, meñ, rentys, medis, fedynges and pastures, with all my courte, and with all the pertinences of the same londe, and what-so-Euer thyng in the foresaide towne of Bartoñ and 28 Rolesham, or withoute, I had or my3ght haue, withoute oony withholdyng to me and to my heyres: to be holde and to be had for Euer to a ffree ferme⁹, of me and my heyres, well and in pece, frely and holy and quietly fro all seculer service 32 exaccion and Demaunde to me or to my heyres longyng, and the same chanons schall Bere all Burdon^s of the foresaide londe

¹ Demnesweye.

² Wylauesdene.

³ Langlaweslade.

⁴ Rugweyesfurlung.

⁵ For 'and' read 'in': 'Similiter in alio campo.'

⁶ Omit the bracketed words, inserted in error.

⁷ 'de Saundone.'

⁸ 'seruiciis et seruagiis.'

⁹ Read 'fee-ferme': 'ad feodifirmam.'

in all thynges towarde the Kyng and the chefe lordes, zeldyng perof zereley to me and to my heyres j. marke of Siluer at ij. termes, that is to say, at þe ffeſt of Saynte Marke [half¹ a mark] and at the ffeſt of Saynte Myzghell Dñ. a marke, at Barton, for all ſervice, ſaue the ſervice of iij ð. that þe ſaide chanons ſchaft aquite towarde the Chefe lordes, * that is to say, <at² þe ffeſt of Saynte Marye> towarde Richard ffitz Odo, xvi. d.³ 8 (that is to say, at Eſtuþ, viij. d. [and¹ at the feaſt of Saint Myzghell, viii. d.]; and to Richard Foliot, iiii. d. (that is to say, at Eaſter, ii. d.,] and at þe ffeſt of Saynte Myzghell ij. d.); Also to John De la Veſſell vj. d. at þe ffeſt of Saynt Myzghell; Also 12 to Richard of morton x. d. at þe ffeſt of Seynte Myzghell; and ſaue ſcutage, whenne hit goth thorowgh the londe, that þe foresaide [canons] ſchaft aquite towarde Richard ffitz Odone and his heyres (pat is to say, ij. ð. iij. d., how that euer þe ſcutage 16 goo, weþer it be more or laſſe), and ſaue to Richard ffolioth and to his heyres for ſcutage [xviii d.¹ in the ſame manner, and ſave to Richard of Morton and his heirs ſcutage] as hit longeth⁴ to j. zerde londe and j. dñ.⁵, the which is of his fee. And I, Henry, 20 and my heyres, all þe foresaide thynges to þe ſaide chanons ſchaft warantize agaynſte all meñ and womeñ: and if⁶ oony caſe happe, þoo thynges that ben aforeſaide that we may not warantize the foresaide chanons in all or in parte, for ſo 24 moch porcion as I and my heyres may not warantize to them, we ſchaft zeve to them ſufficient Eſchaunge, by the vewe of lawfull meñ, in my othiþ londes to a conuenient valewe [and¹ we ſhall ſatisfy them for loſſes and expenses, if they have in- 28 curred any towards any persons,] for the Defaute of warantizing [of¹ me or of my heirs. And that this my grant] Be ſure and ſtedeaſt for Euer, hit with this preſent wrytyng and By the puttyng to of my ſeale I have i-ſtrengthid. Theſe witneſſe.

Oſeney to pay the king's de-
mands, and
quit-rents
of 3s. to the
chief lords,
and 13s. 4d.
to the
meſne lord,
* leaf 33.

and ſcutago
when ſcu-
tago is
aſked.

32 [147.] To all criſtenñ meñ to þe wich this preſent wrytyng ſchaft come, Richard ffitz Odone helth. Knowe ze all me to have i-grawntid, and with this preſent charter to haue i-con-

About
1240?
Confirma-
tion to

¹ Added from the Latin.

² Omit the bracketed words, which are brought in in error.

³ 'xvi. d.,' correctly, in the Latin. The English in error has 'xv. d.'

⁴ 'secundum quod pertinet.'

⁵ MS. repeats 'dj.' in error.

⁶ i. e. 'and if anything occur to prevent our warantizing the aforesaid things to the said canons.'

Oseney,
by Richard
son of Odo,
as feudal
superior,
of (a) that
part of no.
146 which
is of his fee,

subject to
1s. 4d. quit-
rent to his
manor,
and a fixed
charge of
2s. 4d. when
scutage is
asked;
(b) the be-
quest of
John of
St. John,
clerk, as in
no. 143,

and in
no. 145,

subject to
quit-rent of
1s. to his
manor;

* leaf 33,
back.
with re-
nunciation

fermed; for me and my heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church
of Saynte mary of Oseney & to þe chanons in hit *seruyng* god,
þe 3ifte and Graunte þe which Henry of Saunde¹, clerke, made
to them by his charter of his londe, with þe pertinences, þe 4
which hee helde of my fee in the towne of Barton, and all that
he held of me in þe foresaide towne of þe foresaide fee, within the
towne or with-owte, and all that he helde or myght holde: to
be holde and to be had, to þe saide chanons for Eue², of the 8
foresaide Henry and his heyres to fee ferme, well and in pece,
frely hooly and worschippfully, in Medys fedynges pasturis,
In waters wayes and patthis and Esementes, with fre Entryng
and gooyng owte, with fredoms and customs to þe foresaide 12
londe perteynyng, quietly fro all seculer service exaccion or
demaunde to me or to my heyres perteynyng, zeldyng to me
þerof zereley to me and to my heyres xvj. d. (that is to say,
at Estur viij. d. and at þe ffest of Saynte Mighel viij. d.), saue 16
to me and to my heyres ij. s. iiij. d. of scutage [when] that
renneth porowgh þe londe, how-so-euer þe scutage renneth, whe-
per at more or at lasse. fforþermore, I, Richard, for the helth
of my sowle and of myne aunceturs, grauntid and with this 20
present charter conformed to þe foresaide chanons, and 2 for me
and myne heyres for euer, al so [much] as longeth to me and
myne heyres, the mylle of Barton, with þe mese, and Crofte, and
all þe felde londe to þe same Mitte perteynyng, and with all his 24
pertinences in the towne and withowte þe towne, the which
Mitte, with all his pertinences, John of Saynte John, Clerke,
to the Howse of Oseney zafe, be-quethid, and assined: to be
holde and to be had, to the saide chanons for Eue², in-to free 28
and perpetuell almes, well and in pece, with all the integrite or
hoolenysse in the which William of Saynte John, the fadu³ of
the saide John clerke, all þe foresaide thynges had and holde,
zeldyng to me and to my heyres zereley at Estur xij. d. for all 32
seculer service exaccion and Demawnde to me or to my heyres
lengyng. And I, Richard, and my heyres, to þe foresaide
chanons for Euer quite have i-clay⁴med of 3 wardes, relefs,
Eschetes, and of Sutes of my cowrte and of my heyres, and of all 36
exaccions, quarels, and Demaundes, services, Bondages 4, and all

¹ Saundone.

² Omit 'and.'

³ 'Canonicos . . . quietos clamavimus de wardis.'

⁴ 'servitutibus.'

maner Burdons, so that nothe^r I, nothe^r noone of my heyres or
 successours, oony thyng of all the same Demaundēs, Burdons,
 seruices, or Bondages, of þe foresaide chanons, noþer of none
 4 oþer, may axe for Euer, as ¹ to all þe foresaide tenementes with
 all there pertinences, saue to me and to myne heyres allonly
 the foresaide rentys, Also ² and the foresaide scutage. And
 for [this] graunte, quite-clayme, and confirmacion þe saide
 8 chanons ʒafe to me ij. marke, and to Aliʒ my wife j. marke.
 And that my graunte, &c³.

of all other
 feudal
 claims,

Oseney
 paying
 £1 6s. 8d.
 to the con-
 firmer, and
 6s. 8d. to
 his wife,

[148.] To all cristen [men] to whome this presente writyng
 schall come Richard folioth of Rolesham helth. Knowe ʒe
 12 all me to have grauntid, and with my present charter to have
 confermed, for me and my heyres for Euer, to god and to the
 church of Saynte Marye of Oseney and to the chanons þere
 16 seruyng god, the ʒifte and Graunte the which to them made by
 his charter Henry of Saunde³, clerke, of all his londe, with his
 pertinences, the which he helde of my ffee in Barton and Role-
 sham, that they [may] have and holde, hooly, frely, and pesibly,
 ʒeldyng ʒerely to me and to my heyres for the foresaide londe of
 20 Barton iiij. d. (that is to say, at Estur ij. d. and at þe feste
 of Saynte Mighel ij. d.) and for scutage xvij. d. when and
 who ⁴ so Euer it renne þorowgh all ⁵ þe londe. Also for the
 foresaide londe of Rolesham, j. li. of Comyn at cristemas, and
 24 xvij. d. for scutage whenne and whoo ⁴ so euer it renne þorowgh
 alle ⁶ þe londe, for all seculer seruice exaccion and Demaunde.
 ffurþermore, I, Richard, for me and myne heyres, quite-clayme
 the foresaide chanons and þere men and the londes aforenamed,
 28 with þe pertinences oft hem, for euer, of relefs, all wardes, [and
 escheats] and sutes of my courte and of myne heyres, and of
 all other sutes, claymes, and Demaundes, and Burdons or charges,
 the which may be axid of that londe, al so moche as to me and
 32 myne heyres longeth, sauynge þe fornamed rentes and scutages.
 And for this graunte, confermyng, and quite-claymyng, the
 foresaide chanons ʒafe to me iiij. marke of siluer and dʒ. And
 that this graunte and quite-clayme, &c³.

About
 1240?
 Confirma-
 tion to
 Oseney, by
 Richard
 Foliot, as
 feudal
 superior,

of that part
 of no. 146
 which is
 of his fee,

subject to
 quit-rents
 of (a) 4d.,
 with 1s. 6d.
 for scutage,

and (b) 1lb.
 of cummin,
 with 1s. 6d.
 for scutage;

with re-
 nunciation
 of all other
 feudal
 claims,

Oseney pay-
 ing £3 for
 this con-
 firmation,

¹ 'quantum ad.'

² 'simul et.'

³ Sandone.

⁴ i. e. 'how-so-ever': 'qualitercunque.'

⁵ MS. reads 'þorowgh all þorow.'

⁶ MS. reads 'þorowgh alle þorow.'

About
1240?
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by Roger
son of
Richard
of Morton,
of that part
of no. 146
which is
of his fee,

subject to
10d. quit-
rent to his
manor, and
1s. 8d. when
scutage is
asked.

* leaf 34.

1247,
Juno.
Surrender
to Oseney,

by Henry
of Barton,

of two yard-
lands in
Barton and
Rousham,

[149.] To all cristen men to the which this present writyng schall come Roger ffitz Richard of Morton helth in owre lorde. Knowe 3e that I, Roger, graunte, and conferme with this present charter, ffor me and myne heyres and myne assynes 4 for Euer, to god and to pe church of Saynte Marye of Oseneye and to pe chanons pere seruyng god, all londes, medys, fedynges, pastures, and tenementes, the which they have of the 3ifte of Henry of Saundon and By the confirmacion of my ffadu, in the 8 towne of Bartoñ and withowte, of my fee: to be holde and to be had, to pe saide chanons and to pere successours, in-to per- petueff almes, sauynge to me and to my heyres the rent of x. d. 3erely at pe ffest of saynte Mizghell, and sauynge to me and 12 to my heyres for scutage xx. d. allonely, whenne scutage renneeth generally thorowgh all Inglonde, for all thyng the which of the londe or of 1 the londe may or schall mowe to be axid for Euer. And I, Roger, and myne heyres or my assynes, all the foresaide 16 thynges with the pertinences, for * the foresaide 3erely rent and for p^e forsaid scutage, agaynste all men for Euer schall warantize, aquite, and Defende: and that this my graunte, &c⁹.

[150.] THIS is a finafl concorde i-made In the Cowrte of 20 owr lorde the Kyng at oxonford, fro the Daye of pe Holy trinite in-to the xv. Daies, In the 3ere of the Reyne of Kyng Henry the soone of Kyng John xxxj^o, afore Roger of Turkelby, Gilbert of preston, Master Symonde of Bampton 2, and John of Cobbe- 24 ham, Justices Journeyng, and otho true men of owre lorde the Kyng penne pere Beyng present, Bitwene John, Abbot of Ose- neye, playner, and Henry of Bartoñ, letter 3, of two plow-londes with the pertinences in Bartoñ and Rolesham, Whereof plee 4 of 28 'warantize of the charter' was i-summoned Bitwene them in the same cowrte, that is to say, that p^e same Henry knowlegid to 5 pe foresaide londe to be the Ry3ght of the same Abbot and of is church of Oseney, pat 6 that pe which pe same Abbot and 32 the foresaide church haueñ pey haue hit of the 3ifte of the saide Henry: to be had and to be holde to p^e same Abbot and

¹ Read 'for.'

² 'de Bautone': read 'Wauton.'

³ 'impedientem.'

⁴ 'placitum warantie carte.'

⁵ Omit 'to.'

⁶ In the Latin, 'ut illam quam.' The translator, having taken 'ut' as 'that' (instead of 'as'), had to insert 'pey haue hit' (not in the Latin) to make sense.

to his successours and to his church aforesaide, in-to ffre and perpetuell almes for Euer, zeldyng þerof 3erely j. marke of Silue^r at ij. termes At Barton, *videlicet* medietatem, þat is to say, 4 halfe, at þe ffeest of Seynte Mizghell, & the other halfe at þe ffeeste of Saynte Mizghell¹ In marche, And Doyng þerof to þe chefe lordes of that ffee all other *seruices* þe which to þe foresaide londe perteyneñ. And the same Henry and his heyres 8 schall warantize to þe forsaide Abbot and his successours and to the church a-foresaide þe foresaide londe, with his *pertinences*, as ffre and his perpetuell almes, By the foresaide *seruices*, agaynste all meñ for Euer. And the saide Abbot receyued þe foresaide 12 Henry and his heyres in alle Benefettes and prayers þe which hereafter schall Be Doone In his church aforesaide for Euer.

subject to
13s. 4d.
quit-rent to
his manor,

Oseney con-
ceding him
commemo-
ration in
the con-
ventual
prayers.

[151.] KNOWE þoo that Be present and to come that I, Richard folioth of Rolesham, for þe helth of my sowle and 16 of þe sowles of my aunceturs and successours, haue i-grauntid and with my present Charter confermed; to² me and my heyres for Euer, as muche as to me and my heyres perteyneth, to god and to þe church of Saynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanons 20 þere seruynng god, the Milke of Barton, with þe mese, and Crofte, and all þe felde londe to þe same Milke perteynyng, and with all his *pertinences* in the towne and withowte þe towne, þe which Milke, with all his *pertinences*, John of Saynte John, 24 clerke, to þe same Howse of Osenaye 3afe, Bequethid; and assined: to Be holde & to Be had; to þe saide chanons for Euer, in-to ffre and perpetuell almes, well and in pece, with all integrite or þe holenesse In the which William of Saynte John, 28 the ffadur of þe saide John clerke, all þe foresaide thynges had and helde, zeldyng to me and to myne heyres 3erely ij. 3. off sterlynges at iiij. termes (that is to say, at cristmasse vj. d., and at Estur vj. d., and at þe ffeest of saynte John þe Baptiste 32 vj. d., and at þe ffeest of Saynte Mizghell vj. d.) for all seruice, secular exaccion, and Demaunde, to me or to my heyres perteynyng. And that this My graunte, &c³.

About
1240.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney, by
Richard
Foliot, as
feudal
superior,
of the
legacy in
no. 143,

as in
no. 145,
subject to
2s. quit-
rent to his
manor.

[152.] A³ quite-clayme of Hugh De la Vessche of A Rent 36 of vj. d. 3erely. About 1240.

¹ Read 'Mary in March,' i. e. Ladyday.

² Read 'for': 'pro me.'

³ 'Nota' in the margin.

* leaf 34,
back.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Hugh de la
Vescele,

of a quit-
rent of 6d.
held as
feudal
superiority
over land
and
meadow,
part of
no. 146,
reserving
1d. quit-
rent.

About
1245.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Hugh,
clerk,

of 4s. rent-
charge in
Barton
Odonis

(to be a
pittance
at Oseney),
with all
manorial
rights re-
presented
by it.

* To alle cristen men these present letters to see or hire, Hugh de la Vesselle, soone and heyre of John de la Vesselle, helth in owre lorde. Knowe 3e all me, for the helth of my sowle, to haue relesid, and to haue quite-claymed, for me and⁴ myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of saynte marye of Oseneye and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, a 3erely rente of vj. d. the which I was i-wooned to receyue, of the saide chanons of Saynte marye of Oseneye, By the reson of xxxij.⁸ acris [of land] with mede and his pertinences, þe which all¹ þe same chanons haue in the feldes of the more Barton and² of the 3ifte of Henry Saundon (to þe which³ my ffadu all þese thynges sumtyme 3afe By his charter, for his homage and¹² seruice) vnto þente⁴ of j. d. 3erely to be i-3elded to me and to my heyres, at Oseneye, At þ^o ffeest off Saynte Mizghell 3erely. In-to witnesse, &c⁹.

[153.] KNOWE 3e that Be present and to come that I, Hugh¹⁶ Clerke⁵ of Barton, for the helth of my sowle and of þe Sowles of my ffadu and modur and of my Benefeturs, haue i-3eve, grauntid, and with my present charter confermed, for me and my heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Saynte Marye²⁰ of Oseneye and to þe chanons þer seruyng god, a Rente of iiij. s. 3erely in Barton Odonis, the which to me was i-woned to pay John ffijt Warner of the same Barton, my kynnesmanne⁶, for dñ. and hide of londe with þe pertinences in the same Barton,²⁴ to⁷ which to hym I 3afe for his homage and seruice: to be holde and to be had, to þe saide church and chanons for Euer, in-to ffre and perpetuell almes, to pietaunce of þe Couent, with all the ry3ght that in the same Rent I had or my3ght haue,²⁸ to be take By the handes of the saide John and of his Eyres 3erely in the ffurst⁸ Day of the mone of lente, weñ and in pece, ffrely and quietly fro all secular seruice, exaccions, customes, sutes, and Demaundis. And I, Hugh Clerke, and my heyres,³² the saide Rente to the saide chanons and church ffor Euer schaff warantize agaynste all men & women, and schaffe Defende;

¹ 'quae omnia iidem Canonici.'

² Omit 'and.'

³ 'to þ^o which' = to whom.

⁴ sic, for 'unto þe rente': 'usque ad redditum.'

⁵ 'clericus.'

⁶ 'gener meus.'

⁷ Read 'the.'

⁸ i. e. on the first Monday in Lent: 'prima die lune.'

and of all thynges the which of suche ffeffement, or [for] suche, may be i-axid^t, we schaff aquite. And that this my zifte, &c^o.

[154.] To all cristenⁿ men to þe which this present wrytyng
 4 schaff come, John ffirst Warnere of Bartoñ helth. To all your
 knowlege I will hit to come, me, of þe assynnyng of Hugh clerke
 my ffadur in lawe, to be holde and to Be Bownde to John,
 Abbot, and to þe couent of the church of Seynte mary of Oseney,
 8 and to þere successours for Euer, to a payment of a zerele rente
 of iiij. s., to A petaunce of the same couente, þe which rente to
 pay I whas i-woned^t to þe saide Hugh for dñ. añ hide of londe
 with þe pertinences in Bartoñ Odonis, þe which to me zafe
 12 þe same Hugh for my homage and^t seruice: þerfore this rente
 I, John, and my heyres, to þe saide church and chanons for
 Euer withoute^t hardenyssse schaff pay, to þe forsaide petaunce,
 þe moneday nexte of lente Eury zere at Oseney, of þe which
 16 rente soo i-paide they have þe charter of þe saide Hugh, and of
 þe which rente so [to be] i-paide I² made sewte with añ othe,
 for me and myne heyres, In the chapiter of Oseneye, vppon the
 texte of the same church, the³ which me in A-nothir time toke
 20 me in-to here prayers and Benefetes of there Bretherhede, [and]
 In counsells to me and to * myne heyres or my children [is] not
 to fayle. This wrytyng was i-made At Oseney In the Vigile of
 Witsonday, pat is to say, in the Day⁴ of saynt Osith Virgine,
 24 In the zere of þe Rayne of Kyng Henry þe soone of Kyng John
 xxix. In-to þe strenght, &c^o.

1245,
 June 3.
 Acknow-
 ledgement
 to Oseney,
 by John son
 of Warner,
 of obliga-
 tion to pay
 the rent-
 charge, as
 in no. 153.

[Oath on
 the Gos-
 pels.]
 Oseney
 promising
 * leaf 35.
 him com-
 memora-
 tion in the
 conventual
 prayers.

[155.] Know þoo that Be present and þoo that Be to come
 that I, Odo ffirst Warnere of Bartoñ, ffor my helth and of myne,
 28 zafe and grauntid^t, and with my present charter confermed^t, for
 me and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Saynte
 marye of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, In-to ffree
 pure and perpetueff almes, x. acris of londe, with þe pertinences,
 32 in the feldes of Bartoñ,

About
 1245.
 Grant to
 Oseney,
 by Odo, son
 of Warner,

of þe which v. acris liend in the Northfelde In-to this maner:
 pat is to say, j. acre lieth in Halfurlonge, and ij halfe-acris In

of 5 acres
 in North
 field,

¹ 'sine difficultate.'

² 'de quo redditu sic solvendo, fidelita-
 tem feci.'

³ 'qu[a]e me alias suscepit.'

⁴ This second date is a difficulty. In
 1245 Whitsun-Eve was June 3, i. e. Pega-
 Virgo. Osith, Regina et Martyr, is
 Oct. 7.

in strips; Vtfurlonge, and ij. halfe-acris In longefurlonge, and j. halfe-acre stretcheth In-to Senewellyslade and j. dñ.-acre In-to¹ Hurstane-furlong þe which is towarde þe North, and j. hede for j. dñ.-acre at Crotteslondes² Ende, and dñ. be-þonde þe slade; 4

and 5 acres in the South field, in strips. And In the sowthfelde lyeñ v. acris In this maner: that is to say, j. acre in the Ende of þe towne, and j. acre at stanelawe, and j. acre in Middulforlonge, and ij. [half]-acris in Huntfur-longe, and j. acre in longefurlonge: 8

to be holde and to be had, to þe saide chanons for Euer, well and in pece, firely [and] quietly fro all seculer service exaccion and Demaunde, In-to fire pure and perpetuell almes. And I and myne heyres all þe fornamed thynges to þe saide chanons 12 schall warantize agaynste all pepul and schall defende and aquite agaynste the chefe lordes and all men for Euer³ of all seruices and seruages and Demaundes and of all thynges that may be axid. In-to witnesse, &c^o. 16

About 1245. Confirmation to Oseney, by John son of his brother's gift, as in no. 155.

[156.] Know þo that Be present and to Be that [I], John ffirst Warnere off Bartoñ, for myne helth and of myne, grauntid and with my charter confermed, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Saynte Marie off Oseneye and 20 to þe chanons þere seruyng god, þe zifte þo which to þem made Odo ffirst Warnere my Broþer of x. acris of londe with þe pertinences in Bartoñ of þo which v. acris lieñ in the Northfelde þ, and hit is in the charter afore-writen. 24

About 1245. Grant to Oseney, by John, clerk, son of Warner, of a meadow-patch, Oseney promising commemoration in the conventual prayers.

[157.] Know þoo þat Bene now and to Be that I, John Clerke⁴ ffirst Warnere is sone⁵ of Bartoñ Odonis, 3afe and grauntid, with þe assent and wille of Richard my ffurst sone and heyre, and with my present charter confermed, for the helth 28 of my sowle and of margerye my wyfe and of myne aunceturs and successours, j. litull parte of my mede In Medham Bitvene ij. poles, in-to pure perpetuell and ffree almes, to god and to saynte Marye of Oseneye and to þe chanons þere seruyng god³² and owr lady saynte Marye, that for Euer my sowle and the sowles of my aunceturs and of my successours in þere prayers

¹ Read 'in.'

² Croftes londes.

³ MS. repeats 'for Euer.'

⁴ 'clericus.'

⁵ 'is sone' is superfluous. The Latin is 'filius Warneri de Barthona.'

pay haue i-commendid. And I John and myne heyres the forsaide litull parte of mede to þe same chanon^s schall warantize and Defende for Euer agaynste all pepull, &c^o.

- 4 [158.] To all cristen men this present writyng to see thabbot of Enysham and the Dene of Oxonforde Euerlastyng helth in owr lorde. Know 3e all vs þe Maundement of owr lorde the pope to haue i-take in these wordes—
- 8 Honorye, Bisshop, *seruaunte* of the *seruauntes* of god, to his Beloued soones, thabbot of Enysham, Prior of saynte * frides-withe, and the Deene of oxonforde of lincoln Diocese, helth and the popes Blesshyng. þat¹ þe Beloued ssones, thabbot and
- 12 couent of Oseney, of the ordre of saynte Austen, to vs playnyng, have i-schewed that where thabbot and Couent of lyre² of þe ordre of Saynte Benedicte and summe oþer of Hereford and Wycetur diocese and of lincoln Diocese vpon tithis and othe^r
- 16 thynges doo wronge to þem. Therefore truly to your discrecion, By the popes writyng, we charge that, þe parties i-called, 3e hyre þe cause and (apelyng removed) with Dew Ende 3e endid³, doying⁴ þat 3e Decree By censure of þe church to be i-kepid.
- 20 And þe witnesses that Be i-called, if they þem-selfe for grace, hate, or drede, withdrawe them, By þe same censure (appelyng cesyng) 3e constrayne to Bare witnesse: And if that 3e all to þese thynges to Be executid may not Be att⁵, tweyne of 3ow
- 24 þoo thynges, not-witstandyng, do execute. The Date at lateranys, iiij^o none of December, of owr Bisshopehoode þe iiij. 3ere.

1220.
Suit
between
Oseney and
Fécamp
abbey in
Normandy,
* leaf 35,
back.

about
tithes,

decided by
papal com-
missioners,

appointed
Dec. 2, 1219,

Oseney
claiming
⅓rds of
the tithe
of the de-
mesne land
of Little
Barton;

- þerfore By the auctorite of these letters, thabbot and Couent
- 28 of Oseney, By there procuratour in owre presence i-sette, ij. parties of þe tithis of þe Demayne of Robert Arsic In litull Barton saide, of þe commune lawe, to þere church of grete Barton to perteyne, þe which of thabbot of fescampe vtterly
- 32 they axid; The which By his procuratour, that is to say, Roger thenne or that tyme prior⁶ of Cogges, afore vs thenne comperyd. Thenne when þe same procuratour, at⁷ all þe cawse

¹ Omit 'that.'

² 'de Lyra.'

³ Read 'end it.'

⁴ 'facientes quod decreveritis . . . obser-
vari.'

⁵ 'interesse.'

⁶ 'tunc temporis prior.'

⁷ 'procurator, ad totam causam motam
datus.'

i-mevel¹ vppoñ þ^e saide tithis Bitwene þe forsaide Abbotes and Couentes [i-sett], letters of procuresyis i-zeve afore vs in Juggement he¹ schewed, in the which was i-conteyned that Abbot and Couent of fiescampe wolde and willed to be ferme what 4 that Euer² þe saide prior in that cawse did. At þe last, after many altercaciōs Bitwene parties, þe strife ffrendely in this restid, þat is to say, that þe foresaide procuratour of thabbot and Couent off fiescampe to thabbot and Couent of Oseney the 8 forsaide tithis to A perpetuell fferme grauntid, and the same in-to Bodely possession ledde in³, for x. s. of sterlinges Euery 3ere, at Oseneye, to þe prior of Cogges, at þe ffirst of Seynte Mizghell or within þe vtas of þe same, to Be paide; and if oony 12 of þe saide parties agaynste þe saide composicion come, to þe oþer partie xx. s. he schall paye. For this cawse we, hauyng this composicion ferme, By the Auctorite of ovr lorde pope hit haue i-Juggid to conferme. In-to witnesse of the which and 16 perpetuell mynde, &c².

1350,
Oct. 13.
Exchange
between
Oseney and
Sir William
of Shares-
hull,
Oseney giv-
ing messu-
ages, a mill,
land, and
meadow in
Barton and
Rousham,
and taking
messuages,
a mill,
land, and
meadow in
Little Tew,
Sandford,
and Oxford,

under
licence in
mortmain,

[159.] Know thoo þat Be nowe and to Be that we, thomas, By the suffryng of god Abbot of Oseney, and of þe same place Couente, have i-zeve, grauntid, and with this present charter 20 confermed, to be-loued to vs in criste, Sir William Scharehull, Knyght, vj. meses, j. water mylle, xvj. 3erdes of londe and vj. acris of mede, with þe pertinences, in Bartoñ Odonis and Rowlesham (that is to say, all þe tenementes þe which in Bar- 24 toñ Odonis And Rowlesham we had, excepte j. gardeyne, j. crofe, and x. acris of londe, with þe pertinences, in the towne of Bartoñ Odonis aforesaide) In-to an Eschaunge for viij. mesis, iij. cogales⁴, j. water mylle, xiiij. 3erdes of londe, xx^{ti} acris 28 of mede, and j. schoppe, with þe pertinences, in litull tywe, Sanforde, and oxonford, þe which sothely tenementes in litull tywe, Sanforde, and oxonford we had of þe 3ifte and seffement of þe foresaide Sir William in-to þe Above-saide Eschaunge, as in 32 the charter of the licence of þe Kynge of Inglonde and of fraunce Bothe to vs and to þe forsaide Sir William per-of i-grauntid fully is conteyned: to be had and to holde to⁵ the

¹ Read 'had.'

² 'quicquid.'

³ 'induxit.'

⁴ In error. Latin is 'tribus cotagiis.'

⁵ Omit 'to.'

forsaide vj. mesis, mylle, xvj. 3erdes of londe, and vj. Acris
[of mead], with the *pertinences*, in Barton Odonis and Rowle-
sham, to be forsaide William, his Eyres, and his assynes, of þe
4 chese lordes of that ffee By *seruices* þerof Dewe and wonyð for
Euer, that is to say, all the tenementes * the which we had * leaf 36.
in the forsaide townes of Barton Odonis and Rowlesham,

except the forsaide gardeyne, crofte, and x. acris of londe,
8 with the *pertinences*, in the towne of Barton Odonis aforesaide,
the which we reserue and reteyne to vs and to owr successours
to A-Bide, with there *pertinences* in Euery place, as ffree comune
of pasture to owre Bestes all maner of kynde to Be fedde in
12 felde and pasturis of þe towne of Barton Odonis aforesaide,
also with ffree Entre and Goyng owte in Euery place, as we
and owre predecessours to ¹ have be i-wooned in tymes a-passid,
þe which also gardeyne and crofte in the towne of Barton
16 Odonis Beeð i-ioyned to þe gardeyne of owre dwellyng in grete
Barton, as forthe By ² the hegges and walles to-gedur they beð
i-closed inne, And the forsaide x. acris By places lieð in the
Northfelde of the foresaide towne with owre syne woonyð i-sceled.
20 In-to witnesse of þe which thyng we haue i-put to owr commune
seale. Date at Oseney, In owr chapter Howse, the Wodenysday
nexte after þe xv. day of seynte Miçgheð Archangell, In the
3ere of the Rayne of Kynge Edward of Inglande and of ffrance,
24 that is to say, of Inglande xxiiij. of ffrance xj^o.

with re-
servation
to Oseney
of certain
lands in
Barton,
and of
rights of
common
pasture.

[Oseney
mark on
boundary-
stones]

[XXIII. HYDE AND WESTCOTE BARTON.]

[160.] KNOWE þoo that Be now and to Be that I, thomas
of Hide, 3afe grauntid and confermed to god and to þe church
of seynte Marye of Oseney, and to sir Richard³ Abbot of Oseney
28 and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, xxv. acris of arable londe,
with all þere *pertinences*, in the feldes of Westcote Barton,
In-to pure and perpetueß almes, whereof xij. acris of londe lieð
in the North felde at Radaweste, that is to say, in þe telth
32 þe which is i-called Brerefurlonge; And in the sowthfelde,

About
1260.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Thomas of
Hide,
of 25 acres
in Westcote
Barton, viz.
12 in North
felde,
12 in South
felde,

¹ Omit 'to.'

² 'prout per.'

³ Richard of Apletre, abbot 1254-68.

(þe¹ which) vppoñ Ramme dune, iij. telthis, þe which conteyneñ
 i in Moyles Breche, xij. acris; And j. acre in Moyles Breche, By the londe of petur
 of Bartoñ: to be holde and to Be had, to the saide church and
 chanonñ and to pere successours, weñ and in pece, frely and⁴
 with their quietly, in fedyng and pasturis, with ffree Entre and goyng
 pasture- owte þorogh all þe felde of Westcote Bartoñ for Euer. I have
 rights, i-grauntyd Also, for me and myne heyres and myne assynes,
 þat þe saide Abbot and chanonñ and there successours beñ quite⁸
 free of all for Euer of all maner sutes of courtes, helpys, tallages, scutages,
 manorial and of all exaccions and Demaundes for Euer. And I thomas
 burdens, and myne heyres or myne assynes þe forsaide xxv. acris, with
 all pere pertinences, to þe saide Abbot and chanonñ and to pere¹²
 [Warranty against successours, agaynste all cristen meñ and Jues schall warantize,
 Jews.] Aquite, and defende, as pure and perpetueñ almes. And that
 þis my 3ifte, &c⁹.

About
1260.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by Peter of
Westcote
Bartoñ,
of no. 160.

[161.] KNOWE all meñ that I, petur of Westcote Bartoñ,¹⁶
 haue i-grauntid; for me and my heyres and myne assynes, and
 with this present charter have i-confermed; to god and to þe
 church of Seynte Marye of Oseney and to þe chanonñ in hit ser-
 uying god, þe 3evyng the which to theme maade Thomas of²⁰
 Hide of londis and tenementes the which Beñ of my ffee in
 Westcote Bartoñ: to Be holde [and] to be had to þe saide church
 and chanonñ, in-to pure and perpetueñ almes, as þe charters
 þe which they have of ffeffement fully witnessen. In-to wit-²⁴
 nesse, &c⁹.

About
1270.
Grant to
Oseney, by
John le
free,
of an acre,

[162.] KNOWE 3e that Be present and to Be that I, John
 lee ffree of Westcote Bartoñ, 3afe, grauntid, and with this
 present charter confermed; to god and to þe church of saynte²⁸
 marye of Oseney and to þe chanonñ in hit seruyng god, j. acre
 of Arable londe in the ffelde of Westcoote Bartoñ, with all his
 pertinences, þe which acre lieth in the telth the which is i-callid
 Doddendenes Holde: to Be holde and to Be had; to þe saide³²
 church and chanonñ, in-to pure and perpetueñ almes, with ffre
 Entre and gooyng-owte þorowgh all the felde of Westcote Bar-
 toñ. And I, John, and my heyres or myne Assynes, þe * said

with its
pasture-
rights.
* leaf 36,
back.

¹ Omit 'þe which.'

acre, with the *pertinences*, to þe saide church and chanons schall [Warranty
warantize, aquite, and Defende, agaynste all cristen men And against
Juys. And that this my gifte, &c^o.] Jews.]

- 4 [163.] HIT is to Be i-knowe that we haue:—To all cristen About
men to þe which this present writyngschall come John lee fre 1270.
of litull Barton helth in owre lorde. Know þe all me to haue Grant to
i-zeve, grauntid, and with this present charter confermed, to Oseney, by
8 god and to seynte Marie and to frere William Sutton¹ By John le
þe suffryng of god Abbot of Oseney and to þe chanons of the free,
same place þere *seruyng* god, j. acre of my arable londe, with
all his *pertinences*, In the ffelde of litull Barton, for the helth
12 of my sowle and of the helth of my aunceturs, of þe which j. dñ. of half-an-
acre lieth of þe Est parte of Sondeway towarde Dunstue By the acre,
londe of William Geffray, And a-nother dñ.-acre in the same and half-
ffelde, that is to say, In Wolkelonde², By the londe of the same an-acre.
16 William Geffray: to Be had and to Be holde that Acre, with his
pertinences, In-to pure and *perpetuell* almes, for my sowle and
þe sowle of my aunceturs for Euer. And [I] John, and my
heyres, þe saide acre of londe, with his *pertinences*, to god and
20 to saynte Mary and to the saide William, Abbot, and to þe saide
chanoñs, schall warantize, defende, & aquite, agaynste all mor-
tall men for Euer. And that this my gifte, &c^o.

[XXIII. SANDFORD.]

- [164.] HIT is to Be i-know that we have j. Dwellyng and Reference
24 j. acre of londe in þe towne & ffelde of Saunford of þe gifte to no. 139(?).
of Munckes of Colchester as it is opyn By the composicion
Bitwene theme and vs, as hit is i-schewed In the title of þe
'grete Barton.'
- 28 [165.] KNOWE tho that Be present and to Be that I, John About
of Seynte John, 3afe, grauntid, and confermed with this present 1250?
charter, to god And to þe church of Seynte Marye of Oseney Grant to
and to þe chanons þere *seruyng* god, that mese at Sanforde that Oseney, by
John (? II)
32 is nexte to þe church towarde þe sowth, with þe curtillage that of St. John,

¹ Abbot 1268–84.² Wowelonde.

of a messu-
age, 2 curti-
lages, and a
dovehouse,

subject to
3s. quit-
rent to his
manor.

About
1260.

Grant by
Oseney,
to Walter,
vicar of
Sandford
St. Martin,
of life-rent
of nos. 164
and 165,

quit-rent
to be either
5s.,
or 3s., with
gift of a
lamprey on
eve of Palm-
Sunday,

and, at his
death, a
heriot.

is towarde þe sowth, [and] with þe curtilage that is towarde þe Est By the Coluerhowse, and with þe same Coluerhowse: to Be holde and to Be had, to þe same chanons for Euer, of me and myne heyres, firely quietly pesibly and hooly, zeldyng þerof 4 zerey In ij. termes of the zere iij. 3. (that is to say, at þe ffest of Seynte Mizghett, xvij. d.; and in þe Annunciacion of Saynte Marie, xvij. d.) for all seculer seruice, exaccion, and Demaunde, to me or to my heyres perteynyng. And I and myne heyres 8 schaff warantize the saide Mese to þe saide chanon3 for Euer agaynste all meñ. And in-to witnesse, &c^o.

[166.] A charter Agaynste Walter, Vicar of Sanforde, of þe mese & curtilage.

KNOWE all meñ that in this maner hit was A-cordid Bitwene Richard¹ Abbot of Oseney and þe Couent of þe same place 12 of þe oone partie, and Sir Water Vicar of Saunford of þe oþer, þat is to say, þat þe saide Abbot and couent toke and lete to þe forsaide Water, alonly to his wife², ij. 3 meses at Saunforde, with þer pertinences, þe which ij. mesys⁴ ben nexte i-Joynd⁵ to 16 þe howses þe which to þe Vicarage of Saunforde perteynē of þe Sowth partye, with þe curtilage þe which is towarde þe sowth, and with þe curtilage þe which is towarde þe Est abowte þe Coluerhowse, and with þe same Coluerhowse, with 20 all his oþer pertinences, for v. 3. zerey, or for iij. 3. and j. lam-prey, to þe saide Abbot and Couent and to þere successours zerey to Be paide (þat is to say, at þe Annunciacion of Seynte Marie, xvij. d.; and in the Vigill of palmes, j. lamprey or ij. 3.; 24 and at þe ffest of Seynte Migheñ, xvij. d.) for all seruice, sauynge napeles to saide Abbot and Couent and to þere successours þe Best best⁵ of the foresaide Water whenne he in-to deth passith. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

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1273,
June 20.

[167.] Dedicacion of the chapel of Saunford.

* leaf 37.
Dedication
of Sandford

* REYNOLDE, By the grace of god⁶ Bisshop of Clone⁶, &c^o, In the stede of þe worschipsfull ffadur lorde Richard, Bisshop of

¹ Probably Richard of Apletre, abbot 1254-68.

² Read 'life'; 'tantum ad vitam suam.'

³ 'quaedam messuagia.'

⁴ 'qu[a]e quidem messuagia.'

⁵ 'best' = beast.

⁶ i. e. Cloyne: see no. 129. The English cuts down the deed. In the Latin, 'the chapel of St. Martin of Sanford' is said to be 'subject to the parish church of Great Barton.'

lincoln, In the xij. Rk. of Julie In the 3ere of oure lorde
 Mⁱ CC Lxxiiij., halowed the Chapeil of Saunforde and the high
 auter, In the Bisshoprich of lincoln, In the stede of þe worschip-
 4 full ffadu^r lorde Richard, Bisshop of lincoln; and By his
 auctorite, trustyng of þe mercy of all-mygthty god and of seynte
 marie Euer virgyne and meritis of saynte martine and of all
 sayntys, to all very contrite pepul and confessid þe which
 8 þe Above-saide chapeil Euery 3ere in þe saide Daye and þorowgh
 þe Vtas for cause of Deuocion wille visite hit, or¹ oony goodes
 or goode dedis of charite [shall do there], xl. daies of penaunce
 to þem enioyned relesid. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

St. Martin
 chapel
 by the de-
 puty of the
 diocesan:

indulgence
 to worship-
 pers on
 the anni-
 versary.

[XXV. LEDWELL.]

[168.] A Sentence diffinitive agaynste Drue of Preaus
 of þe tithis in ledwell.

1238,
 March 5.

12 To all cristen pepul to whome this presente writyng schaff
 come Robert dene² & A. chaunceler of þe church of Salisbury
 euerlastyng helth in ow^r lorde. þe maundement of ow^r lorde
 pope In-to þese wordes Gregorius³ seruus seruorum dei, &c^o.
 16 Our Beloued Soones thabbot and Couent of Oseney, ꝑ. By the
 auctorite of this maundement we haue i-cited Drue⁴, person of
 þe church of more Tywe, at þe Instaunce of þe saide Abbot and
 Couent, ꝑ. vppon the tithis and all parisch rygth þe which þe
 20 same Drue, In the name of his church of Tywe, whas i-woned
 to take within the Bondes of theme⁵ of Barton, þe which of
 commune rygth pay axid, þe parties By procuratours In Jugge-
 ment comperyng, ꝑ. At þe laste, procuratour of þe saide Drue,
 24 of þe Entent of the saide Abbot and Couent in Juggement fully
 confessid, bothe þe saide tithis & parisch rygth, that þe saide
 Drue of þe parisshe of theme at ledwell (that is to say, of
 William of Dicheffe and Adam of Hide) to take whas i-wooned,
 28 ffirely and quietly to þem hee grauntid, And that to þem oony
 Impediment here-aft^r vppon þe same he schaff not procure,

Suit by
 Oseney,
 against the
 rector of
 Great Tow,

decided by
 papal com-
 missioners,

said rector
 allowing
 Oseney
 3rds of the
 tithes and
 parish dues
 from two
 holdings in
 Ledwell,

¹ This clause is a paraphrase: see the Latin formula in no. 129.

² Robert de Hertford, dean 1238-57.

³ Gregory IX, pope 1227-41. The

commission was issued June 8, 1239.

⁴ Drogo.

⁵ 'infra limites parochie eorum de Barthona.'

Oseney re-
mitting
arrears and
asking no
costs in the
suit.

noþer þem let schaff that they mow not all the saide thynges
take, In goode feithe he be-heete¹. þenne, þe Entente of þe
saide Abbot and Couent i-harde and confession of þe contrarie
partie, þe forsaide tithis and parisch ryght to þe forsaide 4
chanons, By cawse of there church of Barton, sentencially whe
haue i-Juggid for Euer, silence to þe saide Drue to aft þe saide
thynges puttyng: to þe Execucion of þe same sentence to Be do,
to Archedecon of Oxonforde decreyng to Be Demaundid or 8
axid. And þe procuratour of þe saide Abbot and couent of
Oseneye to þe forsaide Drue arrerages and Expensis in þe strife
relesid vtterly, þe which were made vpon this mater. And
we, of the consent of the parties, have reserved to vs Jurisdic- 12
cion [for] Euer to þe constreynyng of þe parties to Be doo,
if eyþer partie (that god forbide) wille Begynne agayne. And
to witnesse of this thyng, to this writyng owr seales we haue
i-putt to, ꝛ., with the seale of the procuratour of the saide Drue : 16
the Date, firo þe Incarnacion of owr lorde In the 3ere M^oCC xxxix,
at Newe Salysbury, þe [iii.] Nonas marcij.

1413,
Dec. 28.

[169.] ffor þe heth of ledewell.

* leaf 37,
back.
Survey, by
the neigh-
bours, of
the boun-
dary-marks
of the *Hvath*
and *L'in-*
land [= the
inland (i. e.
demesne)]
belonging
to Oseney,

þe pundurday² nexte after the ffest of þe Birth of owr lorde
In the 3ere of the Reyne of Kyng Henry the v. after the con- 20
queste jo Come John Wilcotys, * squier, and all his tenauntes of
þe Moore Barton, ledewell, and Saunforde (were³ well i-sett
and stiked) [to⁴ see] that þe Bondis and merestones Bitwene
j. felde i-called þe heth ande linlonde and þe londe of þe tenauntes 24
and also þe Demayne londe of þe lorde of ledewell and Saunforde
where [well] i-sette and stiked⁵. And at þat tyme, In the
presence of þe forsaide John Wilcotes, of the parte of Sir
Sencleres⁶ þere Beyng, and of John langston of the parte 28
of thabbot of Oseney and of þe Couent, þe forsaide Bondis and
Merestones where i-stiked and i-sett By the tenauntes vndur-
write and moony othir þere i-examed and i-swore to þe

¹ 'promisit.'

² 'die Iovis.'

³ Omit the bracketed words, brought in,
in error, from below.

⁴ 'ad videndum quod mete et meer-
stones...'

⁵ 'fuerunt bene assesse et fixe.' Is this
'stike' for 'stick,' or an early example of
the diphthongation of 'stake,' which is now
found, e. g. in Essex.

⁶ 'ex parte domini Senclers' = 'on behalf
of the lord of Senclers manor.'

trowght pere-of to Be saide and to Be i-performed, pat is to say,
 By John Duke, Richard Webbe, Geoffrey plestow, Richard Cow-
 per, William 3orke, Richard plestow, Symond Wesey¹, John
 4 tailouȝ, Thomas Kyng, John cockes, Thomas ffox, Thomas Collys,
 John Bosseby, Richard Bovetoñ, and moony other þenne pere
 Beyng present. And then John langstoñ, after þe strikyng² of
 þe foresaide Boundis and Merestones, declared to all þe tenauntes
 8 aforesaide þat thabbot and Couent above-saide purposenne and
 Entende to close³ all þe forsayde ffelde of le heth and lynlonde
 as here seuerell in all the tymes of þe 3ere, And he axid of þe
 tenauntes and oper pere Beyng if [any] of þeñ wolde⁴ or knewe
 12 oony thyng to say why that he ofte not to close þe saide felde
 and heth as his seuerell, and all saide that he myȝht well and
 neuer saide þe contrarye. And for Euidence þey say that þe
 forsaide feld sumtyme was parcelle of þe Demayne londe of the
 16 lorde⁵ there, and þey say þat all the Demayne londe is seuerell⁶
 thorowgh þe 3ere. And ffurþermore þe forsaide John langstoñ
 axid of them if they or oony of them oony waye or pathe in þe
 forsaide ffelde or in oony parcelle of þe same in oony tyme of þe
 20 3ere wolde chalenge or [claim⁷], And they answered all nay;
 But þay saide that þe forsaide Abbot and Couent and his pre-
 decessours had A Grene waye fro the towne of ledewell unto þe
 forsaide felde to Dryue all his maner of Bestis pere to Be ffedde
 24 and to Be i-Browght agayne whenne-so-Euer hit plesid them,
 and none oper But by the leve of them, &c⁸.

with a view
to their
being en-
closed.

Verdict
that there
exist no
rights of
common in
said lands,
and no
rights of
way over
them.

[A 'green
way.']

[XXVI. LODEWELL.]

[170.]⁸ HIT is to Be i-myndyd that we have the tithis in
 ledewell of þe 3ifte of Robert Doylly, as it is i-schewed In the
 28 grete charter of þe same, þe which is Abofe In the title 'How
 that þe church of Seynte George was i-3eve to þe chanonẽ of
 Oseneye.'

Reference
to no. 21.

¹ Veysey.

² Read 'stiking'; 'post fixationem.'

³ 'ad includendum.'

⁴ 'vellet vel sciret aliquid dicere.'

⁵ MS. has 'londe,' by a slip: 'dominice

terre domini ibidem.'

⁶ 'separalis.'

⁷ Blank in MS.: 'calumpniare' in Latin.

⁸ 'Nota' in margin.

1257 (?).
Registration of an inquiry held 1257(?), June 11, as to the tithe of the demesne lands in Ledwell, of which Oseney claimed $\frac{2}{3}$ ds and conceded the other $\frac{1}{3}$ rd to the rector of Wootton, by sworn witnesses, before the neighbours, resulting in the defining of the portions from which Oseney took tithe, viz.

[171.] ¹ KNOWE all men þis present letters to see or to hire that where thabbot and Couent of Oseney have i-take pesibly in the *parisch* of Wotton, fro the tyme of þe which is no mynde, ij. parties of tithes comyng forth of þo Demayne of ledewell of 4 þe honowr of Walyngforde and longyng to þe church of Seynte George In the castell of oxonford, and the person of Wotton the thirde parte of the tithis of þe saide Demayne had i-take, napeles, ouerpat ² and to more surtye, and Inquisicion was i-made, 8 in the Day of Bartholomew pepostle, In the 3ere of owr lorde ³ Mo CC lxvijo, vppon the forsaide tithis By feithfull men i-swore, that is to say, Petur gigur, Water fyt Gilbert, John fyt Reynolde, Geffray fyt John William ⁴, Henry ⁵ fyt William, þe ¹² which (and othe i-made) saide,—afore frere Robert Vel ⁶, chanoñ of oseney; Hymbert of the towre, *servaunte* of master Artolde, thenne person of the church of Wotton; John, lorde of ledewell; Robert of Wotton; John Ermyne; Henry Ermyne; Thomas of ¹⁶ ffulwell; John, chapeleyne of Glymton; Jordañ, clerke; and oper,—that thabbot and Couent of Oseney tooke of oolde tyme ij. parties of tithis comyng forth of þe londes vndurwrite, that is to say,

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of 37½ acres in the West field,

In the Westfelde of ledewell, In þe sowthe parte of the lordes garden of vij. acris þe which Beñ i-called Wrighedelonde, Also of ij. acris [in] Hangenlonde, Also [of] ij. Acris In myddil-furlonge next of the Grene, * Also of j. acre the which is i-called ²⁴ þe smocacre In the Sowth parte of þe lordys gardyne, Also of iiij. acris In langelonde, Item of ij. acris By longe mede, Also of iiij. acris at Almyvede ⁷, Item of ij. acris In litelfledene ffurlong, Also of iiij. acris In Rammedenysheued, Also of iiij. acris and and ²⁸ dj. In longe Rammesdeñ, Also of ij. acris In Byke Weyffurlonge In þe Est parte, Also of iiij. acris In litelfleden In the Est parte, Also of iiij. Acris In the Crofte of Petur gigur:

and of 40 acres in the East field.

In the Este felde, of all þe Crofte of Henry, Holdyng ⁸ iiij. ³² acris, Also of all þe pece þe which Is i-called ley pecche conteynyng iiij. acris (owte ⁹ j. acre By aylerychesmede), Also of ij. acris withoute þe lordes Berne In the North parte, Also

¹ 'Wotton & ledewell' in margin.

² 'ex (h)abundanti.'

³ 1257 in the Latin.

⁴ 'filium Iohannis le Wal.'

⁵ 'Herueum.'

⁶ 'le Bel.'

⁷ 'Aluyvedene.'

⁸ 'de tota crofta Henrici continente tres acras.'

⁹ 'excepta una acra.'

of v. acris In longe crofte, Also of ij. acris at þe Gore Above
 lifelmede, Also of ix. acris In hanghendelonde, Also of j. acre þe
 which is i-called Meyshendelonde¹, Also of iij. acres þe which
 4 Beñ i-called þe Goore, Also of iij. acris strecchyng þeñ-selfe to
 Rammeswelle, Also of vj. acris In the telth þe which Is i-called
 fyfyerde, Also of ij. acris Above Mapeldoor Welle Huſſe, Also of
 ij. acris In Grene Diche ffurlonge.

8 And that þe saide Inquisicion may come to perpetueñ mynde
 thabbot of Oseney and master artolde þeñ person of Wotton
 to this writyng, In-to þe maner of A charter i-made, þer seesles
 i-put to, of þe which oone partie abidithe to þabbot and Couent
 12 of Oseney And a-noper partie to þe saide Artold: This writyng
 was made at Oseney In the Vigile of Seynte Gile Abbot In the
 3ere of owr lorde aforenamyd.

Dated at
 Oseney
 1257 (?),
 Aug. 31.

[XXVII. GROVE.]

[172.] THABBOT of Oseney hath In Grove twey parties of
 16 more and lasse tithis of þabbot of Colchester, as it is opyn By
 composicion, the which is afore In the title of 'more Barton':
 And the Vicař of Saunforde taketh þe þirdde parte of all maner
 of tithis.

Reference
 to no. 139.

[ROWLESHAM.]

20 [173.] THABBOT hath In Rolesham of þe 3ifte of Doylys,
 and with þe Graunte of Kynges & of Bisshopis of lincoln with
 þe chapiter, ij. partys of scheves of þe Demayne of Richard Erle
 of Cornewaile and of William ffijt Richard ffolioth, longyng
 24 to þe church of saynte George, as it is i-schewed above In
 þe title 'Who³ the church of Seynte George was i-3eve to
 þe chanon3 of Oseney.'

Reference
 to no. 21.

[174.] KNOWE þoo that Be present and to Be that I, Robert
 28 ffolioth, with assent of William my soone, 3efe and graunte
 & with my present charter conferme, In-to ffree and perpetueñ
 almes, to þe church of saynte marye of Oseney and to þe chanon3

þ 12—.
 Grant to
 Oseney, by
 Robert
 Ffoliot,

¹ Meysheuedlonde.

² Name noted in margin.

³ 'Who' for 'How.'

of land in
Rousham.

þere seruyng god, for my helth and of myne and By name ffor
þe sowle of philippe¹ of Neville, all þe londe with þe Curtilage
þe which Hawyse þe wife of Milo helde In Rowlesham, þat is to
say, that loude þe which is at þe Ryȝht hande of þe way⁴
By the which it is i-goo to my Courte. This almes I and myne
heyres to þe same chanonȝ schall warantize In Euery place, and
to² or Agaynste all meñ, free and quite fro all seruice: Þes
witnesses.

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Reference
to nos. 146,
150, &c.

[175.] ALSO we haue oper charters and confirmacions þe
which Beñ of Barton Odo.

Boundaries
of Rousham
parish.

[176.] þe Endys Costis and Boundis of londis feldys and
groundis of þe bothe courtys of Rowlesham. 12
With-In the³ writen Beñ þe Endes and Boundis of
londis, feldis, and groundys, of þe bothe Courtes
of Rowlesham.

* leaf 38,
back.

In þe first, it is to knowe þat þere is a floode or water¹⁶
þe which is In the commune i-called Chareweñ In the Est parte
or plage of þe * parisch of þe parisch church of Rowlesham
of lincoln Diocise, goyng [across] þe which sothely floode or
water is þe Ende and Bownde Bitwene⁴ þe parisch aforesaide²⁰
and þe parisshe of þe parische church of Heyforde þe neþer
for the space of A place of þe lenghe In-to al so muche as þe saide
parisshe them-selfe fro oper towchyn⁵: And the londes, feldes
and growndes aforesaide begynne fro A Brigge vppoñ the saide²⁴
water, þe which truly Brygge comunely is i-called Heyforde
Brigge In the Est parte of þe feldes, groundis and londes of þe
forsaide courtis and of them eyþer i-sette. And fro that weñe⁶,
goyng Downe By þe courte⁷ of þe floode or water aforesaide²⁸
vnto a well, þe which comunely is i-called Merweñ, þe whiche
verily weñ is A Bounde Bitwene þe parisch of Rowlesham
aforesaide and þe parische of þe parische church of Tackeley [of⁸
the said diocese of Lincoln. And from that well, by a boundary,³²
near] and By⁹ that weñ þe [which] is i-callid nowe Wylloghgore

¹ Philippi de Nouilla, in the Cotton MS.

² 'et versus omnes homines.'

³ Omit 'the.'

⁴ Marginal note: 'The boundes of
Rowlesham.'

⁵ 'ab invicem attingunt.'

⁶ Read 'bridge.' The translator has
misread 'ponte' as 'fonte.'

⁷ Read 'course': 'per cursum.'

⁸ Added from the Latin.

⁹ 'iuxta.'

In the sowth^e parte þe lengh of þe which is Above¹ þe lenghe of j. myle; and fro the Pounde or Ende nexte Before saide vnto and hye-waye, þe which In the commune is i-callid 'the hye-waye,' þe which is þe hye-way Bitwene þe townes of Oxonforde & Dadyngton of þe weste parte; and By þe way aforesaide (and² the lenghe afore) and þe lengthe of þe same vnto A-noper hye-waye aforesaide³ [stretching⁴ itself, which is called Deneswey, which way stretches itself from the foresaid highway] of⁵ þe North partye of [the foresaid] londres, groundes, and feldes, i-sette⁶, [and continues⁷] vnto þe Brygge aforesaide By the which Is i-Begunne þe Endys and Boundys of londis, groundys,¹² and feldes, of eyper of þ⁸ courtes aforesaide.

[XXVIII. HEYFORD.]

[177.] THABBOT hathe In Heyforde ij. partys of scheves, of lambys and of pyggys and of othe^r smalle tithis, of all þe Demayne of Thomas Breute, perteynyng to þe church off Saynte George In the castell of Oxonforde, as hit is i-schewyd^r abowfe In the title 'How þe church of Saynte George was i-zeve to þe chanon^s of Oseney.'

Reference
to no. 21.

[178.] KNOWE þoo that Be nowe and to Be that I, Merget⁸ of Riwers, for me and myne heyres, haue i-zeve, grauntid^r, and Deliu^ered^r, and with my present charter confermed^r, for my helth and of myne, bothe auncetours and successours, to god and to þe church of saynt marie of Oseney and to þe chanon^s þere⁹ to god seruyng, in-to ffree and perpetue^{ll} almes, in my verthond⁹, at Heyforde¹⁰ my maner, a place Bitwene my Berne and þe foresaide towne, to and howse to Be i-made to there tithis to Be laide, þe which at þe dore of my Barne to take pay ofte, as þey

About
1240.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Margaret
of Rivers,

of a site for
a tithe-
barn;
tithe to
taken at

¹ Read 'about': 'circiter.'

² Omit the bracketed words, inserted in error.

³ 'Aforesaid' is represented in the Latin by 'antedictam,' but ought to be omitted.

⁴ Added from the Latin.

⁵ Read 'on.'

⁶ 'situata,' agreeing with 'which way.'

⁷ 'et durat.'

⁸ Margareta.

⁹ Latin, 'in berthona mea.' See 'barton' in *New Eng. Dict.* The 'verthon' form may be a peculiar pronunciation, or the translator may have blundered between the easily confused *v* and *b* of this period.

¹⁰ Name noted in the margin.

the door
of the
demesne-
barn; the
demesne to
thresh the
tithe-corn
in said
barn, and
receive the
chaff and
straw in
return for
the labour;
if Oseney
thresh it
elsewhere,
the de-
mesne to
have sole
use of the
said barn.

were i-woned^d of olde tyme, with ffre Entre & goyng-owte to Carye and to bere, as to þem beste semeth to doo. And if it happen^d that þe saide chanon^s wille that pere corne pere Be thresshe In the forsaide howse, þen I and myne heyres 4 schall make it to Be thresshe, and þe chaffe schall Abide togedur with þe strow to me and to my heyres. And if they will not þat hit Be pere i-thresshe, then it schall Be ffre to theme, whenne þay [will], to Bere away all pere corne in scheves hoole, 8 ande when it is i-Bore away, that howse schall turne In-to myne vses, tiff estesoones¹, her² come agayne, ther corne In-to þe same will put in; And I and myne heyres that howse schall kepe vn-hurt, that hit Be not i-hyndred³ or apeyred³ By owr¹² vse; and this almes to þe saide chanon^s we schall warantize for euer agaynste all pepulⁱ & schall Defende. And that all pese thynges Be fferme, &c⁹.

1293.

[179.] Wrytyng of Symon, person of Heyforde Waryn, for hym and his successours al so muche as is in hym neuer to trouble thabbot and Couent of Oseneye for here tithis of Heyforde.

Promise
made to
Oseney,
* leaf 39.
by the
rector of
Heyford-
Warren,
to allow
Oseney
quiet pos-
session of
two-thirds
of the tithes
(great and
small) of
the de-
mesne-land
(as in
20. 21).

To all cristen men to þe which pese present letters schall 16 come, Symon, þe person of * the church of Heyforde Waryn, helth in owre lorde. Knowe me to haue Be-holde þe Instru- mentes of Religious men Abbot and Couent of Oseneye, þat is to say, of þe patronys Bisschopis and Chapter of lincoln and 20 confirmacion of þe pope, [in] þe which Euidently and sufficiently Is conteyned that ij. partis of the tithis (Bothe of grete and smale) of the Demayne In the saide towne comyng forth, By þe cawse of þe church of Seynte George In the castell of oxonforde, 24 þe which to þem þe haue i-appropri^d, and chesely of telthis within i-write, þat is to say, Croftfurlonge, And Inlonde, Ruelle-ffurlong⁴, Nambreffurlonge, Moreffurlong, to þe same longer⁵. I, the saide Symon, for me and (al so muche as in me is) for my 28 successours, say and knowlege, By the tenour of this present wrytyng, to þem of speciall ryght to longe, and⁵ of pere stille

¹ 'iterum.'

² Probably 'her[st]' = harvest. Latin is: 'redeunte tempore autumpnali.'

³ Both words form a duplicate rendering

of 'deterioretur.'

⁴ Ruelles-, Nambres-, Meres-.

⁵ 'et de eorum tranquilla et non interrupta possessione promittens.'

and not Inturrupte (or breke) possession by-hotyng, þat, fro þe tyme of þe Date of þese presente thynges, noþer By me, noþer by oony in my name, noþer By my successours (that of¹ suffer-
 4 aunce of þe lawe þem I may Bynde), no lettyng, no puttyng away, or agayne-sayng, vppon þe takyng of þe saide tithis (of þe forsaide Demaynes comyng forth) schall suffre here-after. And as to þe takyng of þe smale [or] lasse tithis, namely² as to chese [Small tithes.]
 8 and piggis, submyttyng me to þe constreynyng and compellyng of Euery Jugge (Ordinarie or Delegate) or conservatour, the which þe saide Religieuse men or pere successours wille to Be chose, as by all censure of þe church, vppon all and Euerich of
 12 þe premisses, me (as hit is Above-saide), withowte³ hurlyng of Juggement and knowlech of plee, as to þe kepyng & lette not to Be i-browght, may compelle. In-to witnesse of þe which, I, the forsaide Symon put to his seale. þe Date at Oseney,
 16 In the 3ere of owr lorde Mo CC^o Nonagesimo 3^o.

[180.] In the 3ere of owr lorde⁴ Mo CCCC^{mo} vto, with the consent and confirmacion of lorde William, Bisshop of lincoln, and also of þe consent of þe Keper or warden and of þe college
 20 of Seynte marie of Whinchester of Oxforde, patronys of þe parisch church of Heyforde⁵, was i-maade A Reaft composicion bytwene vs and the person pere, þat is to say, that þe saide person and all his successours hereafter have owre porcion pere, zeldyng
 24 þerof 3erely In the ffestes of Saynte Mizghell & of Estur xiiij. 3. iiij. d. in Euyð porcions vndur payne of xx. 3. so ofte to Be paid al so so ofte as he faileth to vs, and also he schall paye for the Kynges Dyme when that hit happeneth By the clergy to
 28 be i-grauntid, undur the same payne, that is to say, for an hoole Dyme iij. 3.

1445.
 Grant by Oseney, to the rectory of Heyford-Warren, of a perpetual lease of Oseneyshare of the tithes, at quit-rent of 13s. 4d., lessee to pay the tenths voted to the king by convocation.

[XXIX.] LITULL TYWE.

[181.] Knowe all men Both present and to Be that I, About
 Robart ffigt Geffrey, 3afe & grauntid, and with my present Grant to

¹ = as far as by: 'quatenus ex.'

² 'maxime quoad.'

³ The English is dark because it follows the obscure Latin constructions: 'ut ... me ... sine strepitu iudiciali et causae cognitione, quantum ad observacionem, et in-

pedimentum non inferendum, possint compellere.'

⁴ The date in the Latin is, correctly, 1445. William Alnwick, bishop 1436-49.

⁵ Name noted in the margin.

Oseney, by Robert (of Nevile) son of Jeffrey, of a messuage, half his demesne-land, and half a hide and 3 yard-lands of land held in villeinage, [burial at Oseney.]
* leaf 39, back.
with all privileges.

charter confermed, to god and to þe church of Saynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng god, half of my Demayne In litull Tywe, with all þe mese of my Demayne, and of v. 3erdes of londe of vilenage (or of bonde-holde¹), þat is to say, dñ. an hide 4 the which Godwyn helde, and j. 3erde þe which is i-callid the 3erde of Salomōn, and the 3erde þe which William of Tackeley helde, & j. 3erde þe which Richard of Saunforde helde: these londis I 3afe and grauntid to the foresaide church, with my s body that² thedur I wo[w]id, In-to ffee pure and perpetueff almes, with all thynges þe which to þe foresaide lon^{dys} per- teyneñ, bothe In mesis, and in Medes and ffedynges, In weyes and patthis, and In waters, and in all othe^r thynges & places: 12 to Be i-holde, of me and of myne heyres, ffrely & quietly fro all seruyce, Sauyng þe Kynges seruice: þese witnessis, &c³.

About 1250?
Confirma- tion to Oseney, by Alan son of Matthew of Rumeley, as feudal superior, of nos. 181 and 183,

[182.] KNOWE þey that þen now and to Be that I, Aleyne of Estoñ, þe soone of mathew of Rumeley, for my helth & 16 of myne, haue i-grauntid and with this my present charter haue i-confermed, for me and my heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Saynte mary of Oseneye and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng god, þe 3ifte that Robert fligt Gaufride maade to þem of 20 all his londe³ In litull tywe, with all his pertinences, Botlie of þe Demayne & of þe villenage (or bondage), In-to ffee and per- petueff almes, sauynge þe Kynges seruice, as the charter of þe foresaide Robert þe which þe same chanon^s haue witnesseth. 24 I haue i-grauntid also for me and myne heyres for Euer to þe foresaide church & chanon^s þat [they] the same londe, with all his pertinences, haue and holde, weff and in pece, hooly & ffrely, quite of Relefs and all exaccions and Demaundes, Sutes, 28 & all thynges þe which may be axid of þe londe, Sauyng þe Kynges seruice. And I Aleyne and my heyres þe forsaide londe, with all his pertinences, and with all þe foresaide thynges, to þe myndyd church and chanon^s for Euer schaff warantize 32 agaynste all pepul: and for this graunte confirmacion and wauantizynge þe saide chanon^s 3afe to me v^q^e. marke⁴ of Siluer. In-to witnessse of þe which, &c³.

with re- nunciation of feudal rights (ex- cept scout- age),

Oseney pay- ing him £3 6s. 8d.

¹ Alternative rendering: 'terre de vile- nagio.'

² 'quod illuc devovi.'

³ MS. has 'bonde,' by a slip.

⁴ i. e. 'quinque marke': cp. 148/21.

[183.] BE hit i-knowe both to þem þat Be nowe and to Be that I, Robert ffigt Gaufride, 3afe and grauntid, and with my present charter confermed, to god and to þe church of Saynte marie of Oseney & to þe chanons þere seruyng god, In-to pure and perpetuefl almes, all my londe in litull Tywe, þe which londe I Bow3ght of Aleynd ffigt Gaufride my Broþer for xl. marke of siluer, that is to say, thre hides (with ¹ all þe lordeschip), and ⁸ service ² of dñ. an hide the which Raph ffigt Henry helde with his pertinences (that is to say, vj. d. and foreyne ³ service). This londe, with his pertinences, I 3afe and grauntid, for my helth and of myne & for the sowles of my ffadur and modur and of Aleyne my Broþer and of alle my kynnesfolkes, to þe foresaide church & to þe foresaide chanons, as ⁴ my Bying: to be holde, ffrely, quietly, hooly, and worschipfully, with medes and pastures, In weyes and patthis, with all ffredoms and ffree Custom3 to þe same londe perteynyng By service of j. kny3ght to Be doo to Mathewe ffigt Aleyne my Broþer & to his Eyres. Þese witnessse, &c².

About 1200? Grant to Oseney, by Robert (of Nevile) son of Jeffrey, of land bought for £26 13s. 4d. viz. thre hides and feudal superiority over half a hide,

with all privileges, to be held by service of one knight.

[184.] KNOWE all men Bothe present and to Be that I, Mathew of Rumeley, þe soone of Adam of Eston, grauntid, and with my present charter confermyd, to god and to þe church of Saynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, for my helth and of myne & for the sowles of all my aunceturs, þat 3ifte þe which Robert þe soone of Geffrey my heine ⁵ maade to þem of all his londe In litull tywe, with all his pertinences, Bothe of þe Demayne and of þe vilenage, In-to perpetuefl almes, sauynge þe service of owr lorde Kyng, as þe charter of þe foresaide Robert witnessith.

About 1200? Confirmation to Oseney, by Matthew of Rumeley, as feudal superior, of nos. 181 and 183.

[185.] A charter of þe Kyng of þe same londe and of other in the same towne * Bitwene vs and Gilberte of Hide. 1211, Oct. * leaf 40.

Þis is A finall acorde In the Courte of owre lorde þe Kyng at Westmynster, fro þe Daye of Saynte Mizghefl In-to xv. daies, Confirmation to Oseney,

¹ 'cum toto dominio;' meaning that the three hides were in hand (as demesneland), and not leased out as freehold or otherwise.

² 'servicium,' in accusative, going back

to 'hydas.'

³ 'forense servitium.'

⁴ 'sicuti empcionem meam.'

⁵ 'patruus meus.'

by Gilbert
of Hide,
nephew of
Robert of
Neville the
donor,

of no. 181,

and of
no. 183,

Oseney
paying him
£6 13s. 4d.

of þe Rayne of Kyng John þe xiiij^o, afore þe Kyng hym-selfe, Symon of pateshuft, Jamys of poterne, Henry of pounte alde-mare, Robert of Aumare, Roger Huscarle, Justices, and oþer true meñ of owre lorde þe Kyng þenne þere present; Bitwene 4
Gilbert of Hide, axer, and clement, Abbot of Oseneye, holder, By Roger, chanoñ, i-sett in his stede to wyne or to lese: of vj. 3erdes of londe, and j. mese, with þe pertinences, In lituñ tywe: whereof hit was i-pletid^r Bitwene them, In the same 8
Courte: that is to say, þe same aforesaide Gilbert relesid^r and quite-claymed, of hym-selfe and of his heyres, to þe forsaide Abbot and to his successours & to þe church of seynt Marie of Oseney, all þe Ryght and clayme that he had In the forsaide 12
vj. 3erdes, and the foresaide mese, with þe pertinences, for Euer. And furþermore the same Gilberte relesid^r and quite-claymed, of hym-selfe and of his Eyres, to þe same Abbot and to his successours, all þe right and clayme þat he had or myght haue In 16
viij. 3erdes [of land], with þe pertinences, the which Robert of Neule, þe huncle of the same Gilberte, 3afe to þe church of Saynte marie of Oseney In-to pure and perpetueñ almes. And for this relese, and quite-clayme, fyne, and acorde, þe forsaide 20
Abbot 3afe to þe same Gilberte xcem marke ¹ of Siluer, &c^o.

1217.

Decision of
a suit be-
tween Ose-
ney and the
rector of
Great Tew,

[186.] To all soones of ow^r holy modu^r the Church to þe which this present writyngschaff come, Hugh², By the grace of god Abbas of glowcetur³, G. prior of lantone; and M.⁴ 24
Archedecuñ of Glowcetur, Euerlastyng helth In ow^r lorde. To all 3ow^r knowlege we wulle hit come, we the maundement of ow^r lorde þe pope Honorye the iiij. to haue i-take, In-to these wordes:—

28

by papal
commis-
sioners,

Honorye, bisshop, seruante of god, to 3ow^r⁵ i-loved soones thabbot of Glowcetur & prior of lantone and Arche-decuñ of glowcetur, of þe Diocise of Wircetur, helth & thaposteles blessing. Ow^r Beloued Soones thabbot and Couent of Oseneye 32
have Greuously i-playned to vs that ow^r worschifuñ Broþer þe Bisshop of Couentre and summe prelates of churchis and mony oþer clerkes and lay-men of lincoln and Wircetur Diocise,

¹ i. e. 'decem,' retaining the Latin.

² 'H.' incorrectly expanded by the translator. Henry Blount, abbot of Gloucester, 1212-24.

³ In MS. 'writyng shall come' follows, by dittography.

⁴ Maurice of Arundel, 1210-45.

⁵ Read 'owr.'

vppon these thynges they¹ been i-zeve to þere monasterie
 By the weye of charite, þem and the same monasterie (agaynste
 þe priueleges of þe pope, and pardon, and freedom i-zeve
 4 of goode Deuocion of cristen men) grevynd mony-foldely and
 trowblyn. Whereof þay prayd vs mekely, þat to þem In such
 maner þynges we prouidyng, wolde whochesafe to þe same
 monasterie, vppon þes thynges þe which of þere goodes Beñ
 8 alienyð vnlawfully and Distracte, by þe Benefete of Reuokynge
 to succurre. Wherefore to 3owr Discrecion, By thaposteles
 wrytyng, [we] charge þat 3e, not suffryng the Abbot and Couent
 aforesaide to Be greued agaynste þe tenour of þe pardouns and
 12 oper freedom of þem, þoo thynges, þe which of þe goodys of þe
 monasterie 3e fynde i-alienyð In-to there hurt, or with-Drawe, 3e
 labour² to ryght, and propurte of þem lawfully to reuoke,
 grewowres and vndewe agene-saiers by streitnesse which is con-
 16 uenient 3e compellyng (Appellyng i-put A-Backe). And 3if 3e
 all may not Be at þese thynges * to Be Executid, tweyne of 3ow
 napelesse execute þem. þe date at peruse þe iij^o non. of
 Auguste, In þe first 3ere of oure Bisshophoode.
 20 þefore, By the auctorite of this maundement, þabbot and
 Couent standyng In owre presence By þere procuratour of
 þe oone partie, and W. person of þe church of More tywe (Also
 By A procuratour) of þe oper, In whos procusies³ whas i-con-
 24 teyned that þabbot and Couent of Oseney and þe foresaide
 person where to haue rate and sure what-so-Euer thyng þere
 procuratours wholde doo afore vs, or⁴ In knowlegyng, or In
 3evyngvppe, or In stryuyng, or In compownyng; þe procuratour
 28 of thabbot and Couent of Oseney purposid⁵ agaynste þe pro-
 curatour of þe foresaide W. þat þe same W. whas⁶ Abowte to
 take Aweye fro þem vnryghtfully the smale tithis [of⁷ the
 nourishing] of þere Bestes at litull Tywe Abidyng, Where that⁸
 32 (By þe auctorite of here priueleges of the pope i-3eye to þem) fro
 þe 3evyng of small tithis þey ofte to Be not partyng⁹. This¹⁰

* leaf 40,
back.
appointed
1216, Aug. 3,

about pay-
ment of
small tithes
at Little
Tew,

¹ Read 'that': 'qu[a]e.'

² The English is dark because verbally following the Latin: 'studeatis ad ius et proprietatem ipsius [monasterii] legitime revocare.'

³ 'in quorum procuratoriis.'

⁴ 'sive confitendo, sive cedendo, sive liti-
gando, sive componendo.'

⁵ 'proposuit.'

⁶ 'nitebatur extorquere.'

⁷ 'de nutrimentis animalium suorum.'

⁸ 'where that' = whereas, when: 'cum.'

⁹ 'not partyng' is intended to render
'immunes.'

¹⁰ Read 'The.'

from which
Oseney
claimed
exemption,

and
obtained it,

on condi-
tion of pay-
ing 4s.
yearly to
Great Tew
church, -

which priuileges i-schewed afore vs, and of þe procuratour of þe
saide W. i-say ¹ and vndurstande, þe same procuratour afore vs
knowlegid hym-selfe nopyng to ² knowe or to mowe of ry3ght to
þe saide priuileges to Obiecte, or cony pyng to purpose, But 4
þat thabbot and Couent aforesaide, after þe tenour of þe fore-
saide priuileges, fro þe 3evyng of þe smale tithis ofte to Be
Dischargid or immune. Perfore whe, with þe consaile of wise
men sittyng with vs, syth to ry3ht disposicions nopyng of 8
taryng ofte to Be brow3ght, what ³ of þe Intencion of thabbot
and of þe Couent of Oseney, what ⁴ By confession of þe pro-
curatour of þe saide W., what ⁴ By the seyng of þe same
priuileges, hit was i-schewid Euidently, þabbot and Couent 12
aforesaide fro þe Axynge of þe saide W. vppon þe 3evyng of þe
smale [tithes] we wille þem to Be assoyled, puttyng silence to
þe same W., sentencially Decreyng thabbot and Couent afore-
saide to Be immune (or partles⁵) fro þe 3evyng of þe foresaidesmale 16
tithis. And þe mynded Abbot and Couent, with goode-wille and
of grace, to þe church of more Tywe, as longe as litul Tywe pay
In þere hande helde, iiij. 3. jerely, In the ffest of pentecost
Euery jere at þe foresaide church to be i-payde, þey grauntid. 20
And (at ⁶) laste By lengh of tyme, or By malice of men, to
be denyed or to be broke or also ⁷ in Dowte hit may be callid,
þoo pynges, þ⁸ which in owre presence Be doo by the auctorite
of owr holy ffadu and lorde pope, In-to perpetuefl memorye in- 24
to this present writyng we haue i-turned, and the same with þe
puttyng to of owr seelys we haue i-strenghtidh. Thes wit-
nessis, &c⁹.

About
1260.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Robert
Brock
of a messu-
age and
curtilage,

[187.] KNOWE þoo that Be present and to be þat I, Robert 28
Brock, 3afe, grauntid, and with my present charter confermed,
to god and to þe church of Seynte Marye of Oseney and to
Richard⁸ Abbot and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, A mese
with þe Curtilage In litul Tywe, with all his pertinences, þat 32
is Vndur my gardyn of þe Northe parte: to be holde and to Be
had, to þe saide church and chanons and to here successours, in-

¹ 'inspectis et intellectis.'

² 'scire vel posse, de iure.'

³ 'cum.'

⁴ 'tun.'

⁵ Alternative rendering of 'immune.'

⁶ Omit 'at,' 'Laste' = lest: 'ne...'

⁷ 'etiam.'

⁸ Richard of Apletre, abbot 1254-68.

- to free and perpetueſt almes, zeldyng perof 3erely to me & to my heyres iiij. d. at Estur for all thynges þe which of þe londe or for þe londe may or schaff mowe to be axid^r for Eue^r. Also
- 4 I have i-3evyd^r to þe saide church and chanon^s & to þere successours, In-to pure and perpetueſt almes, seven^r acris of my Arable londe In þe feldes of lituſſ Tywe, with ffe Commune, and ffe Entryng & goyng owt, þorowgh * all my londes of lituſſ Tywe :
- 8 of þe which j. acre lieth In the Northfelde At White Oteluſſe by þe londe þe which was of William Tackle, And j. acre lieth At depecahalle¹ By the londe of þe prior of Cogges, And j. lieth At lituſſ slade, And j. dñ.-acre lieth at Ha[n]gyndelonde by þe
- 12 londe of þe prior of Coges ; And In þe southfelde, j. acre lieth In Brode slade by þe londe of þabbot of Oseney, And j. acre lieth In Coppede More By the londe of Roger Belamy, And j. acre lieth at Shendegifte stamdelf², & dñ. acre lieth in shorte
- 16 londe.
- And I, Robert, and my heyres or myne assynes, þe saide mese, with þe Curtilage, and with all liberteis and ffree customs, by the foresaide seruice of iiij. d. 3erely, & ³ þe foresaide vij. acris,
- 20 with þere pertinences, and ffe commune and ffe Entre and ffe goyng-owte, as hit is i-saide afore, to þe foresaide church & chanon^s and to þere successours, agaynste all cristen^r men and Juys schaff warantize, and of all maner Sutes of Courte, helpis,
- 24 tallages, scutages, exaccions, & demaundys, schaff Aquite and Defende for Euer. And pat this my 3ifte, graunte, and confirmacion, &c².

subject to
4d. quit-
rent,

and of [a
quarter-
yardland,
viz.]

* leaf 41.

3½ acres in
North field,

and 3½ in
South field,

with rights
of pasture.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

- [188.] In þe 3ere of ou^r lorde Kyng Henry þe sone of Kyng
- 28 John li3e, In the daye of Saynte Barnabe thapostle, was þis couenaunt i-made, Bitwene ffrere William Abbot of Oseney and þe prior of Coges and Dame Katherine louell and Robert Broc lordes of þe towne of lituſſ Tywe and oper ffe tenautes of þe
- 32 same towne of þe oone party, and John of pratell lorde of more tywe of þe oper, þat is to say, whenne þe saide John had i-sowe and In-hokam⁴ had i-doo of his telth þe which Is i-callid Costowe agaynste þe wilf of þe saide Abbot and of oper afore-

1288,
June 11.
Agreement
(cp. no. 193)
between
Oseney,
with other
freeholders
of Little
Tew,
and the
lord of
Great Tew
manor

¹ Depe Kathole.

² Shendegiste Stanidelf.

³ Omit '&.' It occurs also in the Latin.

⁴ i.e. fenced it with hurdles to protect the crop: 'inhokam fecisset de quadam cultura.'

(who had,
(a) contrary
to manorial
rotation,
put lands
into *inhook*
and cropped
them, and
(b) excluded
Oseney and
the others
from com-
mon pas-
ture on cer-
tain fallow
lands),
that Oseney
and the
others
shall have
their pas-
ture-rights
undis-
turbed,

they allow-
ing him to
gather
most of
this year's
crop from
the lands in
question.

namyd, and ¹ ouermore In-to forbedyng had i-put þe commune pasture of all [the] warecte or leylande Bitwene þe wey þe which Is i-callid Wodewey and litull Tywe, þe which commune þe aide Abbot, and þe fornamyd, claymed of olde to Be his ⁴ ryzght for certeyne seruice þat to þe same John and to oper certeyne lordys of þe same towne By ² þe custumarijs doon: At þe last, it was A-cordid bitwene [them] in this forme, þat þe saide John grauntid, for hym-selfe and his heyres, þat the ⁸ saide Abbot and oper lordis aforenamyd haue commune pasture In þe forsaide places & telthes, as þey were i-woned and ³ oftē. And he agayne ⁴ knowlechid hit ⁵ to be þe Abbotes ryzght and of oper lordes aforenamed & of þer men, al so ofte a[s] fro ¹² þe saide telthis corn is i-Borne away and þe londe Be not i-sowe. And he Bunde hym-selfe and his heyres for Euer, By his fleitit and þis present writyng, þat he neuer of þe saide pasture schall sowe no-pyng, noþer In-hokam schall doo, In- ¹⁶ to preiudice of þe saide Abbot and of oper lordis afore-named, But of þe consent of þe parties, or By Juggement of þe Kynges Courte. And, for þe ⁶ recognicion and graunte, (of ⁷) þe saide Abbot and oper lordes aforenamed; after a parte of þe saide ²⁰ telth i-sowe By þere Beestes [they] haue ⁸ i-fedde, of þere grace haue i-suffrid þat þe saide John the vestiture (or grasse ⁹) of þe same telthe þe which Abode, withoute þere lette, In this 3ere alone may gadur & haue, so napelese that þis grace to þe same ²⁴ here-after Be not i-turned In-to preiudice & greuaunce. And that this conuencion, recognicion, and graunte, Be sure & stabull for Euer, And ¹⁰ partijs to this writyng In-to the maner of A Charter i-maade to Euerich wordes ¹¹ þay haue i-put to þere ²⁸ seales: Þese witnessis, &c^o.

About
1270.
Grant to
Oseney,

[189.] KNOWE þoo that Been nowe present and to Be þat I, Katerine Lovueff, for þe helth of my sowle and of my auncesturs, In free widewhoode and my lavfull power, safe, and ³²

¹ 'et insuper in defensum posuisset.'

² Read 'by their custumaries yearly they do': 'annuatim per custumarios suos faciunt.'

³ 'et debent.'

⁴ Renders 'recognovit.'

⁵ 'illam,' i. e. common pasture in the stubble and fallow.

⁶ Read 'pis.'

⁷ Omit 'of.'

⁸ 'paverunt.'

⁹ 'vestituram eiusdem culture qu[a]e remansit:' i. e. the standing crop.

¹⁰ Read 'the.'

¹¹ Read 'other.'

- grauntid; ande * with þis my charter confermed; to god and to þe church of seynte marie of Oseney and to William¹, Abbot, and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god; j. 3erde of londe with
- 4 A mese, with medes, & with his oþer pertinences, In litull Tywe þe which I had of Robert ffirst Robert of Brocke and of Richard of Sandeforde: to be holde and to Be had; of me and of my heyres, In-to pure and perpetuell almes, al so muche as longeth
- 8 to me and to myne heyres, zeldyng þerof 3erely to Robert of Brock and to his heyres v. d. at cristmasse for all thynges þe which of þe londe or for þe londe maye or schall mowe to Be axid for Euer. And I Katherine and my heyres þe saide 3erde-
- 12 londe, with þe mese and oþer pertinences, to þe forsaide Abbot and chanon̄s, as pure and owr perpetuell almes, agaynste all pepull schaffe warantize aquite and Defende. And that this my 3ifte, &c^o.
- 16 [190.] KNOWE all men that I, Robert first Robert of Brock, grauntid; and with this present charter confermed; to god and to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, j. 3erde of londe, with A mese, medes, and oþer
- 20 pertinences, þe which þey have of þe 3ifte of Dame Katherine louelle In litull Tywe: to Be had ande to Be holde, of me and of my heyres, to þe saide chanon̄s for Euer, zeldyng þerof 3erely to me and to my heyres v. d. at cristmasse for all thynges
- 24 þe which, of þe londe, or for þe londe, maye or schall mowe to Be axid for Euer. And I Robert and my heyres þe saide 3erde of londe, þe which Richard of Sanforde sumtyme helde, with mese, medys, and oþer pertinences, to þe forsaide chanon̄s,
- 28 agaynste all cristen men and Juys, By þe foresaide seruice, schall warantize aquite and Defende for Euer, &c^o.

* leaf 41, back.
by Katherine Lovell, of a yardland, with its messuage and meadow,

paying quit-rent of 5d. to the chief lords.

About 1270. Confirmation to Oseney, by Robert of Brock, as feudal superior, of no. 189, subject to 5d. quit-rent to his manor.

[Warranty against Jews.]

- [191.] KNOWE 3e that Be present and to Be pat I, Robert of Brocke, 3afe, grauntid; and with my present charter confermyd, to god and to þe church of seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, v. d. of 3erely rent, þe which to me þay were i-woned to 3elde for pat 3erde of londe, the which Richard of Sanford sumtyme helde In þe towne of litull
- 36 Tywe: to be had and to Be holde, to þe saide church and

About 1275. Grant to Oseney, by Robert of Brock, of the quit-rent reserved in 189, 190.

¹ William of Sutton, abbot 1268-84.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

chanonȝ, In-to pure and̃ perpetueſſ almes. And̃ I Robert and̃ myne heyres or assynes þe saide ȝerely v. d. to þe foresaide church and̃ chanonȝ agaynste aȝ cristeȝ meȝ and̃ Juys schaff warantize aquite & defende for Euer as ouȝ perpetueſſ almȝs, &c^o. 4

About
1275.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Robert of
Brock,
of a messu-
age and
croft,
and a yard-
land with
its meadow,

along with
its bond-
widow
tenant
and her
children.

* leaf 42.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

[192.] KNOWE þoo that Be present and̃ to Be that I, Robert sone and̃ heyre of Robert Brocke¹, ȝafe, grauntid̃, and̃ with this my present charter conformed̃, to god̃ and̃ to þe church of Saynte marie of Oseney and̃ to William, Abbot, and̃ to þe 8 chanonȝ þere seruynge god, that mese, with þe Crofte and̃ oper pertinences, that Alice relicte of William pateshuſſ sumtyme of me helde In lituſſ Tywe, And̃ j. ȝerde of londe Euery ȝere to Be sowe, with medȝs, and̃ oper pertinences, þ^e which þe saide Alice 12 of me helde In the feldȝs of lituſſ Tywe, And̃ to þ^e þyngeȝ², I ȝafe and̃ haue i-grauntid̃ to þe forsaide Abbot and̃ Couent þe saide Aliȝ sumtyme my Natife, And̃ Roger and̃ Robert and̃ Aliȝ childroȝ of þe saide Aliȝ, with cataſſ and̃ sequelis of þem, and̃ 16 aȝ thyng that In þe foresaide tenementes, natȝfs, sequelis, or þere cataſſ, I had̃ or myȝht haue, withoute oony withhol*dyng agayne to me or to myne heyres or assynes: to Be holde and̃ to be had̃, to þe foresaide church and̃ to þe chanonȝ, of me and̃ of 20 myne heyres or myne assynes, In-to pure and̃ perpetueſſ almes. And̃ I Robert and̃ myne heyres or Assynes aȝ Above-saide thynges to þe foresaide church and̃ chanonȝ agaynste aȝ cristeȝ meȝ and̃ Juys schaff warantize aquite & Defende as ouȝ pure 24 & perpetueſſ almes. And̃ that this my ȝifte, &c^o.

1288,
June 5.
Agreement
(cp. no. 188)
between
Oseney,
with other
freeholders
of Little
Tew,
and the
lord of
Great Tew
manor
and the
rector of

[193.] In the ȝere of þe Reyne of Kyng Edward̃ þe sone of Kyng Henry þe xvj., daye of þe Saturday nexte afore þe feste of saynte Barnabe thapostle, was i-made þis couenaut, Bitwene 28 ffrere Roger, Abbot of Oseney, and̃ þe prior of Coges and̃ John Broke, lordes of þe towne of lituſſ Tywe, and̃ oper ffree-holders of þe same towne, of þe oone parte, and̃ John of prateſſ (&³) lorde of þe more tywe and̃ Stephan of prateſſ and̃ John þenne seruante 32 of þe persoñ of þe same of þe oper [parte], that is to say, whenne þe saide John, stephen, and̃ John, had̃ i-sowe and̃ In-hoke had i-doo of a telthe the which Is i-called̃ Costowe agaynste þe wille

¹ Roberti de Broke.

² 'Ad h[a]ec.'

³ Omit '&.'

of þe saide Abbot and of oper lordes aforenamed; & furþermore, In-to fforbedyng had put þe commune of all þe (pasture¹) warecte or leylande Bitwene² þe waye þe which Is i-callid
 4 Wodewey and lituff Tywe, the [which] commune þe saide Abbot and þe fornamed claymed of olde to Be þe[re] right: At þe last, hit whas acordid Bitwene them in this forme, þat þe saide John and oper grauntid, for þem and þere heyres and
 8 assynes, þat þe saide Abbot and oper lordes aforenamyd haue comune pasture In þe forsaiide places and telth as þey were i-wonyd to haue,

Great Tew (who had unrightfully put certain lands into *inhook*, and had excluded Oseney, &c. from pasture-rights on certain fallow),

[that³ is to say] that oone 3ere þey Pe sowe, and after þe
 12 corne In the saide telthis i-gederyd to-gedur⁴, In the same 3ere þey Entre with all þere Bestes, to fede vn-to þe tyme of wyntur seede (and⁵) in oper 3ere⁶ folowyng, if with lente⁷ seede hit ofte to Be sowd; or vn-to þe tyme⁸ of lente sede of þe seyde
 16 3ere folowyng, if with lente sede þey ofte to Be sowe: so, þat is to say, that By⁹ the sowyng, mowyng of corne, gadryng or hepyng to-gedur of þe same noo gile Be doo, so¹⁰ þat foresaide comuners haue þere forsaiide commune In conueniente tyme:
 20 and hit [is] to Be knowe, þat þe saide telthes In oone 3ere schall Be sowe and In A-noper 3ere lye leye.

that, immediately after the corn is removed, Oseney and the others may pasture in the stubble till the winter-sowing, or till the spring-sowing, as the case may be;

And they maade a knowlege (þat is to say, þe forsaiide John, Stephen, and John) þe foresaide commune to Be ry3ght of
 24 þe saide Abbot and of oper lordes aforenamyd and of þere meid wheune-so-Euer In the saide telthis þe corne Be i-gaderyd In the forme aforesaide, And they haue i-Bownde þem-selfe and þere heyres and assynes, By goode fleith & By this present
 28 wrytyng, þat neuer of þe saide pasture they schall¹¹ oony thyng schall sowe, noper in-hoke schall Doo, agaynste þe forme aforesaide; & if þay doo, þey graunte, for þem-selfe, and for here heyres and assynes, that þey schall pay to þe saide Abbot and
 32 to oper lordes Above-saide of lituff Tywe x. li. of sterlynges for

and that Oseney (with the others) shall be undisturbed in their pasture-rights

under penalty of £10;

¹ Omit 'pasture.'

² MS. repeats 'bitwene.'

³ Added from the Latin.

⁴ 'post bladum . . . adunatum.'

⁵ Omit 'and.'

⁶ The pasture, in one case, would be from Michaelmas to October next; in the other, from Michaelmas to March.

⁷ Read 'winter': 'si semine hiemali

debeant seminari.'

⁸ 'tempus seminis quadragesimalis.' In Essex, the terms 'Lent seed,' 'Lent sowing,' though still remembered by country people, are no longer in actual use.

⁹ Read 'after': 'post seminationem.'

¹⁰ i.e. to prevent the commoners from having: 'quin . . . habeant.'

¹¹ Omit 'schall.'

and that
Oseney, &c.
may pas-
ture this
year on the
enclosed
land;

* leaf 42,
back.

and that
Great Tew
manor pay
£6 13s. 4d.
as fine for
unlawful
enclosure,

Oseney
(after put-
ting in
cattle to
vindicate
their right
to pasture
the whole)
allowing
the crop
to be
gathered.

About
1280.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by John of
Brock,
of his
father's
grants (as
in nos. 187,
190-2),

þe transgressionð or lette¹ of þe commune aforesaide; And ouermore, hit schaff Be lawfull to þe saide Abbot, and to oper lordes of litull Tywe, and to þere meñ, þe saide pasture or In-hoke, In the 3ere of þe making of this presente writyng, 4 with all þere Bestes to Entre and pesibly to fede; And, for In-hokam in the 3ere of þe making of this present writyng vn-ry3ghtfully i-doo, þe saide John * of pratell for hym-selfe, frely², and his custumarijs, he pleggid³ to þe saide Abbot x. marke of 8 sterlynges, puttyng hym-selfe þere-of In the Abbotes grace, and to Bē payde at litull Tywe at þe nexte Estur aftyr þe making of this writyng, and þere-of he ffounde plegge, þat is to say, Robert le Eyre thenne Baylyff of Wodestoke, Edmunde of þe 12 parke of þe same, Robert of Tackle; and for þe recognicion and graunte, þe saide Abbot and oper of litull tywe aforenamed, after a parte of þe saide pasture, or In-hoke vnry3ghtfully i-doo, by here Bestes were i-fedde, of the[ir] grace suffrid, þat þe saide 16 John of pratell, and his aforesaide, þe vestiture of þe saide In-hoke the which abode, withoute lette, allonly In the 3ere of þe making of this writyng my3ght gedur and Berē away, so napeles þat þat grace to þe saide Abbot and to opere i-named after⁴ Be 20 not i-turned In-to preiudice and greffe. In-to witnyssse of this thyng, parties to þis writyng In-to þe maner of A charter i-made to euerich opere here seesles haue i-putt: These witnesses Sir John fyt Nygell þe 3unger, John Gyffarde þe 3unger, Kny3ghtes, 24 Robert le Eyre þenne Baylyffe of Wodestoke, William of Seynt Ewenne, Walter of Tackle, Edmunde of þe parke of Wodestoke, John leye, and oper.

[194.] To all cristen meñ to þe which this present writyng 28 schaff come, John of Broc, of litull Tywe, helth in owr lorde. Knowe 3e all me to haue i-grauntid and with myne present charter confermed⁵ to haue i-confermed, for me and my heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney 32 and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, þe 3iftes and grauntes þe which to þem made By his charters Robert Broc my fladur and all my predecessoures, of londes and rentes, with here per-

¹ 'seu impedimento.'

² Read 'his free tenants': 'libere tenen-
tibus.'

³ 'vadiavit.'

⁴ Read 'afore': 'prenominatis.'

⁵ Omit 'confermed.'

- tinences, þe which þey holden of my fee In litull Tywe, þat þey holde ande haue þen, quietly holy ffely and pesibly, paying zere to me and to my Eyres or to myne assynes iiij. d. at
 4 Estur for all thynges þe which, for þe lond, or of þe londe, may Be axid or schaff mowe to Be axid for Euer, þe which iiij. d. I schaff aþene paye In the same daye and terme for A place vpon þe which A Culuerhowse is i-fundid [in¹ my court].
 8 And I John of Broc and my heyres or myne assines þe forsaide londes and rentes, with all þere pertinences, agaynste all cristen men and Jues schaff warantize Aquite and Defende and that this graunte &c².

to be held by quit-rent of 4d., which he will pay back as rent for the site of a dove-house.

[Warranty against Jews.]

[XXX. GREAT TEW.]

- 12 [195.] A SENTENCE diffinitive Agaynste William, person of þe church of more tywe, i-þefe By thabbot of gloucetur prior of lantonye and þe Archedecon of gloucetur of þe smale tithis In litull Tywe, above In the titull of 'litull Tywe.' Reference to no. 186.
 16 [196.] A CHARTER agaynste John of Prateff of A commune, i-þefe In þe zere of þe Reyne of þe Kyng Henry þe soone of Kyng John [lii], above In þe titull of 'litull Tywe.' Reference to no. 188.

[XXXI. DUNSTEW.]

- [197.] THABBOT of Oseney hath In Dunstywe, of þe 3ifte of Robert Doylly, and confirmacions of Kynges of Inglonde, and confirmacion and graunte of Bisshopes and of * þe chapiter of lincoln, ij. parties of tithes of scheves of þe Demayne of Hugh of Tywe, as hit is i-schewed In þe grete charter of þe feffing of
 20 of Robert Doylly, and confirmacions of Kynges of Inglonde, and confirmacion and graunte of Bisshopes and of * þe chapiter of lincoln, ij. parties of tithes of scheves of þe Demayne of Hugh of Tywe, as hit is i-schewed In þe grete charter of þe feffing of
 24 þe same þe which is Above In þe title 'Howe þe church of Saynte George whas i-þefe to the chanon of Oseney.' Reference to * leaf 43. no. 21.

- [198.] BE hit i-knowe to all cristen menne to þe which þese present letters schaff come, that, where A question whas i-maade, Bitwene Hugh², Abbot of Oseneye, and þe Couent
 28 i-maade, Bitwene Hugh², Abbot of Oseneye, and þe Couent

About 1200. Agreement between Oseney

¹ Added from the Latin.

² Hugh of Buckingham, abbot 1184-1205.

and Merton
priory,
about tithes
of a yard-
land in
Great Tow,

Oseney re-
linquishing
all claim

on condi-
tion of Mer-
ton priory
paying a
yearly quit-
rent of 1s.

of þe same place of þe oon¹ partie, and¹ Water¹ prior of Mertoñ
of þe oper² partie, vppoñ the tithis of A 3erde of londe In
þe towne of tywe, of þe which tithis chanons of Oseney ij. scheves
to þem and³ iij. scheves² to þe chanon³ of Mertoñ saide to per- 4
tayne, þe which 3erde was of Raph fñzt lambert, þe³ which
he helde In þe tyme of þe controuersie of Aurede fñzt Richard :
at þe laste, parties i-called⁴ to-geduñ, at Wodestoke, afore wor-
schipful⁵ men Robert Abbot of Enyssham and Geffrey Abbot of 8
Bruerñ and⁶ Alizaundur⁶ prior of Esseby, þenne Jugges, In that
cause, of þe pope, delegate, such Bitwene theme come⁴ bitwene
the composicion, þat is to say, that þe chanon³ of Oseney all 12
ry3ght þat in þe saide tithis paye saide hem-selfe to haue, and¹²
thoo tithis, to þe chanon³ of Mertoñ holy for Euer to be had,
þay relesed⁷, for þe goodenesse of pece, and⁷ quite-claymed⁷, and⁷
that here-after, vppoñ⁵ þat, question⁸ or playnte schall not
meve, noþer greuance doo; And þe chanon³ of Mertoñ to þe 16
chanon³ of Oseney xij. d. euery 3ere schall paye, In þe ffest
of Seynte Mizghheñ to be paide at Oseneye. And⁷ that this
composicion, In tyme to Be, be sure and⁷ vnbroke, to þe oone
halfe of þe charter þe which hauēñ the chanon³ of Oseneye was 20
i-putte the seele of þe Couent of mertoñ, and⁷ to þe other halfe
þe which hauēñ þe chanon³ of Mertoñ whas i-put þe Seele of þe
Couent of Oseneye: þese witnesses.

1225.

Sale to
Oseney,
by Ralph of
Melkys-
ham,
of a yard-
land in
Dunstow,
with its
messuage,

[199.] KNOWE þey that Be nowē and⁷ to Be that I, Raph of 24
Melkysham, for myne helth and⁷ of myne, 3afe, grauntid⁷, and⁷
with my present charter confermed⁷ I haue, to god and⁷ to þe
church of Seynte maryl of Oseney and⁷ to þe chanon³ þere
seruyng god, j. 3erde of londe In Dunstywe þe which was of þe 28
Demayne of stephyñ Runcyñ, with a mese nexte to þe howse of
Wymunde of Dunstywe, and⁷ with all oper² pertinences, þat is to
say, þe 3erde of londe the which Petur⁶, fñzt Stephyñ (preste
of Ortoñ), for homage and⁷ my seruice, 3afe to me and⁷ to my 32

¹ Walter, prior 1198.

² In Latin also 'tres garbas,' but probably in error for 'the third sheaf,' according to the division in no. 21.

³ The Cotton MS. has 'which at the time of the controversy Richard son of Alured held.'

⁴ 'Come bitwene' is a literal rendering of a Latin compound verb: 'talis inter eos intercessit compositio.'

⁵ 'super hoc, questionem eis non movebunt.'

⁶ 'Petrus filius Stephani sacerdotis de Orton.'

heyres or to whoome I wolde assyne, the which also londe with
 þe pertinences I Raph dischargid¹ by assyse afore Sir Martyn
 Patessehull and² oper Justices of our lorde þe Kynge at oxon-
 4 forde agaynste þe foresaide petur soone of þe preste, Roger
 Runcyñ, and Henry Ruffun, clerke: to be holde and to be had,
 to the saide chanon³ for Euer, in-to ffree and³ perpetuell almes,
 well and In peece, worschipfully and³ holy, with the mese afore-
 8 saide, and all pertinences, In medes, pastures, weyes & patthis,
 with all fredom³s, and fre customs, and all other thynges and
 places to þe foresaide londe [pertaining], & what-soo-Euer þyng
 of Ryght In þe same londe with the pertinences I had or myght
 12 * haue, withoute oonye withholdyng, paying zerele to þe fore-
 saide petur, and too his heyres, j. peyre of gloves of j. ob. at
 Estur, for all seculer seruice, exaccion, and Demaunde, sauynge
 foreyne¹ seruice. Vppon þe zeldyng of þe foresaide gloves
 16 the foresaide chanon³ I haue attorned to þe foresaide petur and
 to his heyres, and I and myne heyres þe saide londe with all
 thynges aforenamyd to þe saide chanon³ for Euer schall waran-
 tize agaynste all pepull. And for þis³ zifte graunte confermyng
 20 and warantizyng þe forsaid chanon³ zafe to me, of þe charite of
 þere howse, a C. s. of sterlynges. And that þis my zifte², &c³.

and its
privileges,

* leaf 43,
back.
to be held
by yearly
payment of
a half-
penny pair
of gloves to
the chief
lord:

purchase-
money, £5.

[200.] KNOWE þoo that Be present and to be þat I, petur of
 Shipton, þe soone³ of stephyñ preste of Orton, for myne helth
 24 and of myne, Sure and well had³ grauntid, & with my present
 charter confermed for Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte
 marie of Oseney and to þe chanon³ þere seruyng god, þe zifte
 That to them made Raph of Melkyslam of j. zerde of londe In
 28 Dunstywe, þe which was of þe Demayne of Stephyñ Runcyñ,
 with the mese mooste Nyzeste to the howse of Wymunde of
 Dunstywe, and with all oper pertinences, þe which londe with
 þe pertinences þe same Raph discharged by assise afore Martyn
 32 of Pateshull and oper Justices of our lorde þe Kynge at oxon-
 forde agaynste me and Roger Runcyñ ande Henry Reede clerke:
 to be holde and to be had, to þe same chanon³ for Euer, of me
 and of myne heyres, well and In pece, holy and worschipfully,
 36 with all the pertinences, In all thynges and places to þe same

1225.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by Peter
of Shipton,
as feudal
superior,
of no. 199,

¹ 'salvo forinseco servicio.'

sheriff of Oxfordshire (1225).

² The first witness is Walter Foliott,

³ 'filius Stephani sacerdotis de Orton.'

subject to
the gloves
quit-rent,

londe *perteynyng*, 3eldyng *pereof* 3erely to me and to myne heyres
j. payre of gloves of j. ob. at Estur for alle *seruice*, exaccion, and
Demaunde, sauynge foreyne *seruice*. Vppon þe 3erely 3eldyng of
þe which gloves þe same Raph þe same chanon3 to me and⁴
to myne heyres attorned, as þe charter of þe same Raph þe
which vppon that they hauend witnesseth. In-to wnesse¹, &c².

About
1230.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by Roger
Runcyn,
as feudal
superior,
of no. 199,

and of
Peter of
Shipton's
[married
clergy]
quit-claim
of the
gloves
* leaf 44.
(named
in 200),

reserving
to his
manor only
'foreign
service'
(i. e. to the
king).

About
1260.
Sale to
Oseney,
by Hugh
of Tew,
of his right
in the site
of a house,

[201.] KNOWE þoo that Be present and to be þat I, Roger
Runcyn þe soone of Stephyne Runcyn, for myne helth of² and⁸
myne, grauntid, and with this present charter conformed, to
god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe
chanon3 þere seruyng god, þe 3ifte that to þem made Raph
of Melkysham of j. 3erde of londe In Dunstywe, the which whas¹²
of þe Demayne of þe same Sthephynd my fadur, with the mese
nexte to þe howse of Wymunde of Dunstywe, and with all
þe *pertinences*, whereof þay have a charter of þe foresaide Raph.
I grauntid also, & with this present charter conformed, to¹⁶
þe foresaide chanon3, þat relese and quite-clayme þe which
made to þem petur of Shipton, þe soone of Sthephynd preste
of Orton, of a 3erely rente of a payre of Gloves of j. ob. at Estur
þe which to hym to doo þey were i-woned 3erely for the same²⁰
3erde of londe, whereof they hauend a charter of þe same * Petur.
I wille also and graunte, for me and for myne heyres for Euer,
that þe foresaide chanon3 haue and holde þe foresaide 3erde
of londe, with all þe *pertinences*, & all liberteis and Esementes²⁴
In the foresaide charter of þe foresaide Raph i-conteyned, In-to
ffre and *perpetuefl* almes, wefle and In pece, ffirly and worschip-
fully, with the foresaide relese and quite-clayme of þe foresaide
petur, and quite fro all seculer *seruice* exaccion and Demaunde,²⁸
sauynge foreyne *seruice*. And that this graunte, &c².

[202.] To all men to þe which this presente writyng schaff
come, Hugh of Tywe helth. To 3our all knowleche I wille hit
come [me], for me and myne heyres for Euer, to haue i-relesed³²
and quite-claymed, to pabbot and Couent of Oseney, all þe
ry3ght and clayme that I had, or my3ght haue, In parte of
and howse of Roger of Dunstywe, tenaunte of them, vppon my

¹ Among them: 'Simone Schorchebef, Iohanne filio sacerdotis de Hantona.'

² Read 'and of.'

londe leuyd, and I wilte and graunte for me and myne heyres that þe waye Bitwene þ^e londe of þe same Roger and my londe by ¹ þ^e curtilage or gardeyne of hym be in þ^e same state in þe
 4 which it whas i-purueyed² by þe sigȝht of lawfull meñ of þ^e hundrede In the tyme of theobalde of Bray, sum-tyme my keper³, when the hundrede whas þere i-callid to-geduñ in the tyme of John of Worton⁴ baylyff of þe same hundrede, And
 8 þat, as⁵ þenne markyng whas i-sette by boundes i-sett by the foresaide lawfull meñ by⁶ the londe of þe same Roger and my londe by þ^e dwellyng of hym, Surely and vnmevably [hit] be keped. And, for this relese and quite-clayme, zafe to me þ^e
 12 saide Abbot j. marke of siluer. And þat þat sure and vnbroke hit Abide, &c⁹.

and acknowledgement of a right of way,

as marked out by an inquisition of the hundred :

Oseney paying 13s. 4d.

[203.] To all cristen meñ to þe which these presente letters Endentið schall come, Thomas, Abbot of Oseney of lincoln
 16 diocise, and John, prior of þe priory of Merton of Wynchester diocise, and of the same places couentes, helth In the Sauioür of all meñ and vndowtefull feith to þese presente writynges to 3eue. Where, bitwene vs þ^e saide Abbot and Couent of Oseney
 20 of þe oone partie, and þe foresaide prior and Couent of Merton proprietaries and persons of þe parisch church of Dunstywe of þe saide lincoln diocise to vs and to ouñ priorye vnyed⁷ and annexid⁸ and Incorporate of þe oone⁸ partie, by occasion and
 24 sake of a porcion of tithis of þe lordeschip and of þe Demayne londes of þe lordeschip of Dunstywe alias⁹ tywe (withinne þe saide parisch of Dunstywe i-sette) comyng forth, grete dissencions and discordes were i-sprunge, we þe saide Abbot and
 28 Couente of Oseney affermyng ij. parties of þe tithis of þe foresaide lordeschip to vs and to ouñ monastery, bothe by þe strenght of an oolde 3ifte and graunte of þe foresaide tithis to vs and to ouñ monastery aforesaide In þ^e fundacion of oolde tyme to
 32 be maade, and also of oolde & laudabile and lawfully prescripte custome, to haue i-conteyned¹⁰, to perteyne, and¹¹ to perteyne

144³, Jan. 27. Grant by Oseney, to Merton priory,

of a perpetual lease of Oseney rights in the tithe of the demesne-lands of Dunstew,

¹ 'iuxta.'

² 'provisa fuit.'

³ 'quondam custodis mei.'

⁴ 'de Wottona.'

⁵ 'sicut tunc limitacio facta fuit.'

⁶ Read 'between': 'inter.'

⁷ 'unite.'

⁸ Read 'other': 'ex parte altera.'

⁹ 'alias.'

¹⁰ Read 'i-perteyned': 'pertinuisse.'

¹¹ 'et pertinere debere in futurum.'

to be dewe In tyme to Be; and to vs¹ aforesaide prior and couent of þe priory of Merton proprietaries and persons the foresaide In contrarie affirmyng þe porcion of þe foresaide tithis and þoo tithis to vs and to our priorye aforesaide by ryght and⁴ name of our parisch church aforesaide of Dunstywe to pertyne: At þe laste, we, þe foresaide [abbot] & prior * and Couentes aforesaide, stryves controuersies and discordes (as hit is i-put afore) bytwene vs i-sprunge and² þe which (by þe occasion of þe 8 fore-put þynges) myght fall or happe In tyme to be likely³ to put away wyllyng, after diuerse tetrynges In þis parte i-had, our ffrendes comyng Bitwene, couetyng to avoyde þe hurtes of stryves, of þe consent and wille of Reuerende ffadur In criste¹² and of lorde Sir⁴ william (chaddeworth⁵) by þe grace of god Bisshop of lincoln ordinarie of þe place, haue i-compownyd and haue i-acordid In-to this maner: þat is to saye, that we þe foresaide Abbot and couent of þe foresaide monastery of Oseney, for¹⁶ vs and our successours, all þe foresaide tithis in þe saide parisch of Dunstywe (how-so-Euer we haue i-had, haue, or scholde ofte to haue), and⁶ for them þe which to vs of þe foresaide prior and couent vnder been i-grauntid, to þe same prior and Couent and²⁰ to þere successours we 3eue, relese, and (to⁷) þe same tithis to þe same prior and Couent & þere successours we graunte for Euer and conferme. And we, þe foresaide prior and Couent of þe priory of Merton, for þe porcion of þe tithis above-saide, ²⁴ 3eue and graunte to þe foresaide Abbot and Couent of þe monastery of Oseney of⁸ þere successours for Euer, a perpetuell rente or cense or 3erely⁹ graunte [of] xxvj. 3. viij. d.: to be had and to be take of vs and of our successours (of þe saide church ²⁸ of Dunstywe, proprietarijs and persons), at Oseney aforesaide, In the ffest of all Seyntes Euary 3ere tyme¹⁰ to be, And also all charges to þe saide tithis longyng we (prior and Couent afore-saide of Merton and our successours) schalle bere and schall ³² vndergoo for Euer. And ouer, we graunte, for vs and our

* leaf 44,
back.

at a quit-
rent of
£1 6s. 8d.,

Merton to
discharge
all burdens
due by the
tithe,

¹ For 'to us,' read 'we.' An ablative absolute is translated as if it had been dative.

² i. e. and those which.

³ Goes with 'myght': 'verisimiliter posent euenire.'

⁴ 'domini.'

⁵ Omit 'Chnddeworth,' inserted in error and not in the Latin. William Alnwick,

bishop 1436-49, is meant. John Chedworth was bishop 1451-71.

⁶ i. e. and in consideration of those things which: 'et pro hiis qu[a]e.'

⁷ Omit 'to.'

⁸ Read 'and.'

⁹ 'prestacionem annuam.'

¹⁰ 'in futurum.'

successours, that if hit happe þe foresaide rente, moneye, or preste¹ after oony terme [when] (as hit is i-saide afore) hit ofte to be payde, withinne² vj. monethis (and³ if hit) Be by-hynde 4 vnpaid, or [we] þe forsaide charges and Eueriche to þe saide tithis longyng not to here or to paye, þat þenne we (þe foresaide prior and Couent of Merton) be i-holde to þe foresaide Abbot and couent of þe monastery of Oseney and to þere successours 8 for euery lacke or Defawte of this maner of payment xij. s. and iiij. d. for Euer. In-to witnesse, &c². The date xxvij. daye of þe moneth of Jenyvere⁴ In the 3ere of ouȝ lorde M^cCCCC^moxliij^o, And In the 3ere of þe Reyne of Kyng Henry þe vj. after the 12 conquete xxj^o.

with
penalty of
13s. 4d.
on each
occasion of
the quit-
rent being
in arrear.

[XXXII.] EDBURBURY.

[204.] THABBOT of Oseneye In Edburbury hath j. plowe of londe, with a mese, and oþer pertinences, þe which Hugh of Tywe sumtyme Knyzght 3afe to Nicoll of Weston, 16 And þe saide Nycol to þe Howse of Oseneye. And hit is to be knowe that þat londe [is] of þe litull fee^o of Stafforde, and 3eldith scutage al so moche as longeth to þe halfe of j. scute, and þabbot maketh sute to þe hundrede of Bloxham 20 for þe same.

Note of the
hide owned by
Oseney in
Adderbury, as
in nos. 205, 206,
and its
liability to scu-
tage as half of
a knight's
fee, and to suit
to the hun-
dred court.

[205.] KNOWE þey þat be present and to Be that I, Hugh of Tywe, 3afe and grauntyd and with this present charter con-fermyd, for me and myne heyres, to Nicoll of Weston, Mar- 24 chaunte, j. mese with ij. croftes and all oþer pertinences In the towne of Edburbury, and j. plowe of londe In the felde of þe same towne, with all his pertinences, þat is to say, Medes, pastures, weyes, patthis, waters, and with the * rentys of my 28 free tenauntes, and homages, wardis, and relefs, and eschetes, and with all seruices of my Custumaris, & all þat in the saide towne and felde I haue or may haue or to me or to myne heyres by oony ryzght maye falle: to be had and to be holde, to þe 32 foresaide Nycol and to his heyres or assynes, or^o to oony man

1269.
Sale to
Nicholas
of Weston,
by Hugh
of Tew,
of a messu-
age, 2 crofts,
and a hide,
* leaf 45.
with
manorial
privileges,

¹ 'prestacionem.'

² i. e. by the space of: 'per.'

³ Omit the bracketed words, inserted in error.

⁴ 'Iunii,' in the Latin.

⁵ 'de parvo feodo.'

⁶ 'vel cuicunque dare . . . voluerit.'

with prohibition to part with it to Jews, at a quit-rent of 6d.

[Warranty against Jews.]

Purchase-money, £150.

About 1275.

Sale to Oseney, by Nicholas of Weston-on-the-Green, [burial at Oseney] of a hide, with messuage, crofts, and meadow (as in 205), with its bond men,

subject to 6d. quit-rent to Tew manor (as the mesne lord).

to geve seiffe or bequethe or to assyne he wille bothe to religiose men and to oper (Juys owetake), frely quitely holy weiff and In pece for Euer, zeldyng perof zereley to me and to my heyres or to myne assynes, at Adburbury, vj. d. at cristemasse, for all⁴ secular *seruices*, *Sutes* of courtes, helpis, tallages, exaccions, and all oper demaundes in what-so-Euer mauer or name they bee i-callid; the which of pe londe or for that londe maye be axid or schaff mowe, al so muche as to me or to my heyres *perteynyth*,⁸ And doyng to pe chefe lordes¹ of pe ffee dewe *seruice* and i-wonyd. And I, Hugh, and myne heyres or assines, pe foresaide mesis and Croftes and plowe of londe, with all *pere pertinences*, to pe foresaide Nycoff and to his heyres or assynes¹² all (except Juys), agaynste all men and women, cristen and Juys, for pe foresaide *seruice* schaff warantize for Euer, aquite, & defende. And for this zevyng and of this present charter consermyng and warantizyng aquite & defendyng, pe foresaide¹⁶ Nycoff zafe to me Cl. li. of goode & lawfull moneye by-for handes in weryson. And that all these thynges before-namyd Sure and stabuff for Euer abide, &c.² The witnesse, Sir thomas of Seynte Wygo, penne srlhreue of oxonforde; Sir Raph of 20 Dyue, Knyzghites, &c.²

[206.] KNOWE tho that been present And to bee pat I, Nycoff of Weston, zafe and grauntid; and with my present charter consermyd; to god and to pe church of Seynte marie of²⁴ Oseney and to William Abbot and to pe chanons *pere seruyng* [God], where I haue i-wollyd me to be i-beried; j. plowlonde, with the *pertinences*, In the towne and feldis of Edburbury, with my chefe mese, as with medis and Croftes, and with²⁸ homages and *seruices* of my free tenauntes, and with my bonde men and *pere catall* and *seruices* & sequelis, and all pat in the foresaide towne or feldis I had or myzght haue, withoute cony reteynyng to me or to myne heyres: to be had and to be holde,³² to pe saide church ande chanons, of me and myne heyres, In-to pure and *perpetuell* almes, al so moch as *perteyneth* to me and to myne heyres, zeldyng perof for me and my heyres to Sir Hugh of Tywe vj. d. zereley, and Dewe *seruices* to the chefe lordes³⁶ of the ffee. And I, Nycoff, and myne heyres, the foresaide

¹ MS. has 'londes' by a slip.

plowe of londe, with all his pertinences, to the saide church and chanon^s, agaynste all cristen^e men and Juys, by the foresaide service, schall warantize, aquite, And Defende. And if we mowe
 4 not, we schall ȝeve agayne to þem CC. marke and xxv. the which for the foresaide londe to me before-handes paye paid; with-inne A moneth In the which pay been i-axid; vndur payne of xx. li. to be payde to þe Kyng. In-to wnesse, &c^o.

[Warranty against Jews.]
 Purchase-money, £150.
 [Penalty of £20 to the king.]

8 [207.] Know paye that Beed present And to come pat I, Adam, Soone And heyre of Nycoll * of Westoñ, grauntid and quite-claymyd, and with this present charter confermyd, to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseneye and to ffrere
 12 William, Abbot, and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng god, þe ȝifte that Nycoll my ffadu^r to þem yafe in the towne and feldes of Edburbury, of j. dwellyng with the pertinences, and j. plowe of londe, with medis, seruices of ffree men, and his customarys, in the
 16 same towne: to be holde and to be had, to þe foresaide church and chanon^s, In-to pure and perpetuett almes, al so moche as longeth to me and to myne heyres, as þe charter þe which þe saide Abbot and Couent of þe saide Nycoll my ffadu^r haued
 20 fully witnessith, doyng þerof to þe Chefe lordes of þe ffee dewe service & i-wonyd. And for this graunte, quite-clayme, and confirmacion, þe foresaide Abbot And Couent yafe to me xl. marke of sterlynges. And that this my graunte, &c^o.

About 1275.
 * leaf 45, back.
 Sale to Oseney, by Adam son of Nicholas of Weston, of his interest in no. 206.

Purchase-money, £26 13s. 4d.

24 [208.] This is the ffinall corde i-maade bitwene vs and the same Adam of the same londe, In owre lorde the Kynges Courte, At Westmynyster, In the morowe of passencion of owre lorde, In the ȝere of the Rayne of Kyng Edwarde þe soone of Kyng
 28 Henry the iiijth¹, Afore Master Roger off Seytoñ, Master Richard Stanes, John of Cobeham, Master Raph off ffrenyngham, Thomas Welonde, And John louetofte, Justices, and other true men of the Kynges thenne there present, bitwene Adam of Westoñ,
 32 axer, & William, Abbot of Oseney, holder, of j. mese, Cxij. acris [of land], x. acris of mede, xvij. s. of Rente, with the pertinences, In Adburbury, Whereof it was i-pletid bitwene þeme in the same Courte, pat is to Say, that þe foresaide Adam knowleggid
 36 the foresaide tenement, with the pertinences, to Be the ryght

1276, May 15.
 Formal confirmation to Oseney, by Adam son of Nicholas, of his grant (no. 207),

viz. a messuage, 112 acres arable, 10 acres meadow, and 18s. of quit-rents.

¹ i. e. Henry III, see note 5, p. 36.

Purchase-
money as
in 207.

of þe saide Abbot and of his Church of Oseney, and that he relese and quite-claymed [it] of hym and of his heyres, to þe foresaide Abbot, and to his successours, and to his church for Euer. And for this reconizaunce, Release, quite-clayme, fyne, 4 and Acorde, þe same Abbot yafe to þe foresaide Adam xl. marke of Siluer.

1288.
Suit against
Oseney, by
the king (re-
presented
by William
of Gislings-
ham), to
recover a
hide in
Adderbury;
and call by
Oseney on
the co-heir-
esses of
Hugh of
Tew to ful-
fil said
Hugh's
warranty
of no. 205,

[208.] OUR loide þe Kyng, by William of Gysilyngham, the which pursuyth for þat¹, (he²) axith agaynste þabbot of 8 Oseney j. plowe of londe, with the pertinences, In Adburbury as his ryght, &c³, þe which þe foresaide Abbot to our lorde Kyng defortid³, &c³.

And Anoper tyme þabbot i-callid þere-of to ware⁴ Richard 12 of lyonns And Emme his wife, Raph the Soone of Ranulph of Astrop and William⁵ his wife, and Hugh of Hynton and molde his wife, the which nowe come by summornenyng⁶ and axe to be schewed to þem by what thyng þey bee holde to 16 ware⁷.

And þabbot sayeth þat þe foresaide tenauntries were of Hugh Tywe (whoos heyres þe foresaide Emme, William and molde Been), þe which þe foresaide tenementes yafe to Nycoff of Wes- 20 ton, to be had and to be holde to hym and to his heyres, and Byndeth hym-selfe and his heyres to⁸ warz, to þe same Nycoff and to his heyres and to his assynes, þe foresaide tene*mentes; And he sayeth that he is þe Assyne of þe foresaide, and as asyne 24 is i-callid⁹ þere-of to the ware aforesaide Emme, William And molde, Also with here husebandes, heyres of þe foresaide Hugh, And bryng[eth] a charter of the foresaide Hugh, the¹⁰ witnessith that the same Hugh yafe to þe foresaide Nicoff the 28 foresaide londe And Byndith hym-selfe and his heyres to ware to þe foresaide Nicoff and to his heyres and to his assynes, f. He Bryngeth also Anoper charter vndur the name of þe foresaide Nicoff, the¹⁰ witnyssith that the Same Nicoff yafe to þe Same 32

* leaf 46.

as in 205,

and in 206.

¹ A mistranslation: read 'for him,'
'pro eo' = for the king.

² Omit 'he.'

³ By a slip for 'deforcid.'

⁴ 'ad warrantiam.'

⁵ 'Willelmam.'

⁶ = summoning.

⁷ 'warantizare.'

⁸ 'ad warrantizandum.'

⁹ Passive substituted wrongly for the active: 'and as assign he calls to the warranty thereof...'

¹⁰ 'the which,' or article used as relative.
Cp. p. 167, n. 1; p. 170, n. 2.

Abbot and to his successours the foresaide londe, and Byndeth hym-selfe and his heyres and assynes to ware, *¶*

And *Richard* and *Emme* sayen that the foresaide *Hugh* of Tywe In a tyme ffeffed them of the foresaide tenement, the¹ where pere-of (pe²) Insesonyd by that ffeffing by longe tyme, till pe foresaide *Hugh* of Tywe pem after³ pere dissesonyng; wherefore perof⁴ he axith dissesonyd that they haue accion to the tenement aforesaide to be axid; by the dissesonyng to pem i-made, as it is i-saide afore, if pey be holde ware to pe foresaide Abbot pe foresaide tenement.

Richard of Lions asserted that he and his wife held the hide in question, by grant of *Hugh of Tew*, who unjustly took it from them; and therefore they claimed it. *Oseney* case re-stated.

Ande, fore pe saide *Richard* [and the others] may not vnsay but pat pe saide *Hugh* of Tywe yafe to pe foresaide *Nicoll* and to his heyres the foresaide tenement, and Bownde hym-selfe and his heyres of pe foresaide *Hugh* of Tywe to ware to pe foresaide *Nicoll* his heyres And his assynes, *¶*; hit⁵ may not be pat the foresaide Abbot be passyne of pe foresaide *Nicoll*; noþer but that saide *Richard* and oþer also, with here wyffes, been pe heyres of the foresaide *Hugh* of Tywe, and pay saye none oþer thyng why they ofte not to be to ware, hit is to be truste⁶ that pay [shall] warantize, and been in mercy for afore pey warantized not, *¶*

And the foresaide *Richard* and other defende pere ryght and sesynng⁷ of owr lorde *Kynges* blode, *¶* as of ffee and ryght, *¶* and putteth hym-selfe in⁸ lawe of pe Cuntre In the stede of A grete assise of owr lorde pe *Kyng*, And axith reconysaunce to be made where thay haue more ryght by warancie In the foresaide londe, or pe *Kyng*. Perfore it is to be say quod pe schreve make make to come pem afore owr lorde *Kyng*, fro the Daie of Estur In-to xij.⁹ moneth, *¶* To Recognicion, *¶*

The case was sent for trial.

[210.] OXFORD. *Richard* of lions, by his attorney, 1289.

axith pat¹⁰ thabbot of *Oseney* j. mese, j. plowlonde, & x. s. of At the Oxford assises,

¹ 'the,' apparently for 'who': 'qui fuerunt inde in seisinā.' Cp. p. 166, n. 10.

² Omit 'pe.'

³ Read 'after[wards] there[of], disseised': 'postea inde disseisionauit.'

⁴ Read 'he asks, having been thereof disseised.'

⁵ Read (still governed by 'unsay') 'nor that the foresaid abbot is not the assign': 'nec quā predictus abbas sit assignatus.'

⁶ 'Consideratum est.'

⁷ 'seysinam domini Regis consanguinei.'

⁸ 'in iure patrie'; i. e. to be tried in the county, and not at Westminster.

⁹ Read 'i.' The number of the jury has been prefixed to the date of summons. Latin: 'in unum mensem xii. [probos viros etc.] ad recognicionem etc.'

¹⁰ Read 'against': 'versus.'

in the suit against Oseney by Richard of Lions to recover a messuage, a hide, and rent-charges, Oseney's guarantors (co-heiresses of Hugh of Tew) stated * leaf 46, back, that Hugh of Tew, giving his daughter Emma in marriage to Richard son of Roger of Lions, settled on her and him said hide to be held by rent of £7 6s. 8d. till he made other provision for them, but that Hugh got back from them said hide on settling lands in Swerford on them;

but Richard of Lions denied that he had land in Swerford in exchange for the Adderbury holding.

Rente, with the *pertinences*, In Edurbury, in the which þe same Abbot hath noone Entre but after þe dissesonyng the which Roger of lyuns þereof vnryȝhtfully And withoute Juggement maade to þe Same Richard after the ffyrst, ȝ. And 4 þabbot come and' else i-callid' þerof to ware the foresaide Richard of lyouns And Emme his wiffe, Raph the Soone of Ranulph of Astrop Ande William his wiffe, Hugh of Hyngton And moolde his wiffe, the which nowe come By summenyng And to hym 8 ware and Defende his ryȝht quando, ȝ.

And' saye that In a tyme Appelyng afore¹ whas i-maade [between] oon Hugh of Tywe (fadur * of the foresaide Emme, William, and' Moolde) and' oon Roger of liouns (ffadur of þe² 12 ffosaide Richard) [when] þat the Same Richard weddid the foresaide Emme, so that the Same Hugh [gave] to þem (Richard and' Emme) þe foresaide tenementes, as mariage of the Same Emme, to be holde In tenauntie By the *seruice* of xj. marke by 16 yere, till þe Same Hugh had' i-made to hym In Eschaunge for the foresaide tenementes to þe valour of An C. silynworth of londe in A certeyne place; þe² which Sothely Hugh assined' to theme A C. schelyngworth of londe In Swere- 20 forde, of the which thay been In sesenyng: by the which þe foresaide tenementes, nowe i-axid', to the foresaide Hugh were i-returned', whereof Defawtith³ þe foresaide Richard is in sesenyng of the foresaide C. ȝ. of londe in Swereforde 24 for⁴ the foresaide tenementes In Edburbury. Axid'⁵ Juggement.

And Richard Saieth that hee Allone whas i-ffeffid of the foresayde tenementes In Edburbury by the foresaide Hugh 28 of Tywe while hee whas withinne Age, and', withoute oony condicion, and' withinne age, dissesined' by the foresaide Roger; and saith that he noone londe holdeth In Swereforde In Eschaunge for þe foresaide tenementes In Edburbury, And' of 32 that he putteth hym-self vpon the Cuntre; And þe foresaide Richard and' other also.

þefore hit whas i-commaundid' to the schreve þat he schulde

¹ 'dicunt quod aliquo tempore quaedam prelocutio facta fuit.'

² 'qui quidem Hugo.'

³ This word seems to be a guess at a contraction in the Latin, possibly 'de

facto,' = as a matter of fact.

⁴ In exchange for: 'pro.'

⁵ The party that had urged the above argument.

make come here, fro the daye of Estur bithyñ¹ xv. daies
 xij.², &c³. per quos, bi the which, ð. And the which, ð, to the
 Recognicion, ð, *quia tam*, ð. Aftirwarde fro the Daye of Estur In-
 4 to iij. wokes of ou^r reine nowe þe xvij. come parties And the
 foresaide Raph and William, Hugh & Moolde, Saieñ that þe
 foresaide Richard none ryght clayme maye In the foresayde
 tenementes for he³ Saieth that he hym-selfe relesed and quite-
 8 claymed; of hym-selfe and his heyres aforesaide, to Raph and
 Willyam, Hugh and moolde, all the ryght & clayme [that
 he had] in þe foresaide tenementes for Euer, by A writyng
 of A quite-clayme that þay schowen in⁴ that witnysseth, And
 12 the foresaide Richard maye not þat vnsaye, but⁵ that hee
 grauntith. þerfor þe Saide Raph and oþer þerof withoute daye.
 And Richard for false clayme In mercy.

The sheriff
 ordered
 inquisition
 by a jury
 of 12.

At last a
 quit-claim
 made by
 Richard of
 Lions him-
 self to the
 co-heiresses
 was pro-
 duced, and
 he lost his
 case and
 was fined.

[211.] PLEIS at Westmynster, afore Thomas of Weylonde⁶
 16 and his flawls Justices of ow^r lorde Kyng of the Banke,
 fro þe terme of Seynte Myzgheñ, In the 3ere of the Reyne
 of Kyng Edwarde the Soone of Kyng Henry xv, Weylonde
 begynnynge xvj. Weylond^r Michael^r xv.

Reference
 to the re-
 cords of the
 Court of
 Common
 Pleas, for
 no. 210.

[XXXIIII⁷.] HOKENORTON.

20 [212.] PABBOT of Oseney hathe In Hokenortoñ, of the yifte
 of Robert Doylly, and confirmacion of Henry Doylly, and of
 Kynges of Inglonde, and of Bisshops, And of the Chapiter
 of lincoln, and confirmacion of Pope Eugenie the iij., þe church
 24 * of Hokenortoñ, and j. hide of londe, with the pertinences,
 of the Dowre of þe Church, as it is open Abofe In the title
 of 'þe ffundacion of þe Church.'

Reference
 to nos. 12,
 16, 13, 14,
 19, 18.

* leaf 47.

[213.] BE hit i-knowe to true meñ of Holy church, bothe
 28 present and to be, þat I, Robert dolly, willyng and consentyng

Reference
 to

¹ By a slip for 'within.'

² i. e. 'probos homines.'

³ Read 'they say': 'qui dicunt.'

⁴ The meaning is plain, but the grammar
 even in the Latin is confused.

⁵ 'immo illud concedit.'

⁶ Thomas of Weyland, Justice of Com-
 mon Pleas 1274, Chief Justice 1278-88.

⁷ Titulus XXXIII is either missing, or
 that figure has been dropped out in the
 numeration.

no. 12.

Edithe my wiffe and my Soones Henry and Gilberte, yefe and Graunte, In-to perpetueſſ Almes, to þe Church of god and of Seynte marie his modur and to þe chanonſ In hit Seruyng god, *℞*, as aboſe, In the title of 'þe fundacion of Oseneye,' In the first and principall charter.

About
1150.
Confirmation
to
Oseney,
by Henry
Doyly I,

in Hook-
norton, of
Prest field,
and two
hides
granted
by Robert
Doyly II (as
in no. 24).

[214.] BE hit i-know to true meñ of holy church that I, Henry Doylly, willyng and grauntyng fi . . .¹ my Broþer and oþer ffrendes and my meñ, yefe and graunte, In-to ffree and 8 perpetueſſ almes, to þe Church of Seynte marie of Oseney, for þe Sowle of Kyng Henry, and for þe Sowle of my ffaduþ Robert Doylly þe² þat same church foundid, ande for þe Sowle of Gillebert my Broþer, and for þe Sowles of oþer myne aunceturs, 12 & for þe sowle³ of my lorde Henry and myne And all my ffrendes, x. ii. (pownde⁴) worth of londe, that is to saye, In Hokenorton my maner, the londe þe which Is i-callid preste felde (þe which sumtyme to þe church of þe Same towne longed) 16 after⁵ þat hit schall be preued to Availe By the oþe of meñ, And ij. hides of londe In the Same maner, þe which þe foresaide church sumtyme had of þe Graunte of my ffaduþ, after his value⁶; And if oony pyng lacke⁷ to be performed x. pownde 20 worthe, I schall performe hit, or in the nowe Saide towne or in myne oþer londes, after that we maye Beste purueye, *℞*.

About
1160.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Henry
Doyly I,

of a half-
hide, with
messuage,
meadow,

[215.] BE hit i-knowe to all Cristen meñ that I, Henry Doylly, owre lorde þe Kynges constable, yafe and grauntid, and 24 with my present charter confermyd I haue, to god And to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanonſ pere seruyng god, In-to ffree pure and perpetueſſ Almes, for þe Sowle of my modur and of myne aunceturs, j. dñ.-hide of londe in 28 Hokenorton, þat, þat is to say, the which thomas la burne helde, with mesis, and all oþer pynges to þe foresaide londe

¹ The erasure suggests that something was felt to be wrong. The Latin is 'concedente Roberto filio regis, fratre meo.' Edith, daughter of Forn, bore to Henry I a son, Robertus filius regis, who was half-brother to Henry Doyly, married a Devonshire heiress, and died about 1170.

² Either 'the [which],' or article for relative: 'qui eandem ecclesiam fundavit.'

³ Read 'welfare'; 'pro salute.'

⁴ Omit 'pownde,' as already given in the contraction 'li.'

⁵ i. e. at its estimated value: 'secundum quod probabitur valere per iuramentum proborum hominum.'

⁶ 'secundum valentiam suam.'

⁷ 'siquid defuerit ad perficiendas decem libratas, ego perficiam.'

- perteynnyng, both In medes and pastures, In weies and patthis, and in all oþer thynges, with þe Same thomas and his modur & his Suster, with all þere goodes; fforþermore, A mese with
 4 A Crofte that Richard Hirelonde¹ helde, And A mese with þe Gardeyne that Roger Weuer helde, And A mese with þe Garden that Guinyld widow helde, And also þe londe vnto þe church yerde. Þese londes I wille and Surely charge þat þe forsaide
 8 church and Chanon^s of Oseney haue and holde, welte and in pece, fully and worschipfully, with all fredom^s and fre customis þat I, or oony of myne aunceturs, In thoo londes haue i-had while they were in ow^r hande. These witnyssis.
- 12 [216.] BE it i-know to all true meⁿ of holy church that I, Henry Doylly, þe Soone * of Henry Doylly, with þe consent and assent of Robert my Broþer and with þe counsell of my ffre meⁿ, grauntid, & with this present charter confermyd,
 16 to the Church of god and of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, all þoo yiftes the which meⁿ of my ffee to the Same church made, as þe charters of þe Same witnyssen^d, þat is to saye, of þe yifte of Hugh of Tywe þe londe
 20 of bothe stane hale, with all þynges to þe Same londe perteynyng, of þe which Robert my Beelesire and Henry my ffadur quite-claymed to þe foresaide church all þe Seruice þat to þem and to þere heyres þere-of whas dewe; In Cleydon, of the yifte of
 24 philipp of Hampton, dñ. and hide whereof my ffadur all þe Seruice that to hym and to his heyres whas dewe quite-claymed to þem; In the same towne, of þe yifte of leonarde of Whitefelde, j. yerde of londe þe which Gilbert corbelle^r 2 helde, with
 28 þat man and all his childroⁿ, and xij. acris in spetesham, and vj. acris at þe woode at Harestaine, and vj. acris at Wytereden; In Hokenortoⁿ, of the yifte of Sibille the wiffe of Robert ffigt Gye & of Raph botereffe and of Julian his wiffe, xx. acris
 32 þe which been in the crofte 3 of prestesfelde by Widecumbe; and v. mansuris or dwellynges withinne Hokenortoⁿ, j. agaynste þe howse of Adam clerke, Another agaynste þe howse of Elfwyne Reve, þe þirde agaynste þe howse of þe Same Elfwyne of þe
 36 oþer parte of the weye with the Crofte and Garden þe which

and other rights, with a bondman-tenant, his mother, and sister, 3 messuages (each with a garden), and a piece of land.

About 1184.

* leaf 47, back.

Confirmation to Oseney, by Henry Doyly II, as feudal superior,

(a) of both Stonehales, given by Hugh of Tew;

(b) in Claydon, Philip of Hampton's gift (as in no. 24), and Leonard of Whitfield's gift of a yard-land with its serf-tenant and 24 acres, (c) in Hooknorton, of no. 217,

¹ 'Hiberniensis.'

² 'corbeiller.'

³ Read 'end': 'in fine.'

William Calcebote helde, þe fowrthe By the howse of Elfwyne
 Sputi, þe fiftē bitwene the howse of Edwardē palmer and swyne
 and of 219, þe soone of Beatrige; The sixte, of þe yifte of William of
 Heteuille¹ & of Johan his wife, the which William of Hamptoñ 4
 helde, with that mañ [and all his], and' añ² halle (þe which is
 i-set bitwene the dwellyng of William Derby & the dwellyng of
 and 218; William Burgeys) and' all his parte In the mede of Smededest,
 [The Includ of Hook- and þoo twoo acris (of³) þe which þe Includ In Hokenortoñ in 8
 norton.] Almys helde, and' j. acre of the me[de] of Heme mede; of the
 (d) in Perry, yifte of William fift Helie and of Emme his wiffe þe church of
 of the rec- Pyrye & the ryght of Aduocacion of the same, And halfe añ
 tory with the adw- son, and a half-hide, with man-
 son, and a sions, croft, & meadow; 12
 half-hide, bitwene the dwellyng of Gilbert and' the dwellyng of Sawakañ,
 with man- with the crofte to þe same dwellyng perteynyng, & with the
 sions, croft, mede to the halfe-hide perteynyng; In Westoñ, of the yifte of
 & meadow; William fift Moolde, ij. acris and' all the mede that is in the 16
 (e) in hedis of them At Bakesmulne, and' the pride acre þe which is in
 Weston-on- the hede of the mede þe which is i-callið Aldefelde, to be holde
 the-Green, for Euer of hym and of his heyres by oonñ ii. of pepur yerely;
 3 acres and Of the yifte of Raph of Aumery, In blechesdoñ, j. yerde of 20
 a meadow, the lordeschip, And' A-noper yerde of þe vilenage (or towne⁴)
 held by quit- þe which whas of Raph Blund; Of the yifte of flowke de
 rent of 1 lb. la Graue, ij. acris at Haraldes * Welle. Of this graunte and'
 of pepper; confirmacion been witnesse Robert my Broþer, &c⁵. 24
 (f) in
 Bleching-
 don, 2 yard-
 lands and
 2 acres.

* leaf 48.

About
 1160.
 Confirmation
 to
 Oseney,
 by Ralph
 Boterell,

of his
 mother-in-
 law Sibill's
 gift of 20
 acres and
 5 houses,

[217.] BE hit i-knowe to all true meñ of Hooly Church
 that I, Raph boterell, prayng and' willyng Juliañ my wyffe and'
 Johan her Dowzghter, yafe and grauntid; In-to ffree and' per-
 petuell almes, to þe Church of god and' of Seynte Marie of 28
 Oseney and' to the chanoñs þere seruyng god, xxti acris of my
 londe þe which Been in the yende⁶ of prestefelde By Wyde-
 cumbe, the which Sibill þe modur of my wiffe 3afe to the Same
 church; and' v⁴ dwellynges withinne Hokenortoñ, j. agaynste 32
 þe howse of Adam Clerke, Another Agaynste þe howse of
 Elfwyne Reve, the thirde agaynste þe howse of the Same

¹ Hereville.

² The text seems doubtful even in the Latin.

³ Omit 'of.'

⁴ Read 'bonde'; alternative rendering of 'vilenage.'

⁵ One is Robert de Witefeld (Sheriff of Oxon. 1182-5).

⁶ 'in fine.'

Elfwyne of þe oper parte of þe wey with the Crofte And
 Gardeyne the which William Calcebote helde, The iiij. By the
 howse of Elfwyne Sputi, The v. bitwene the howse of Edwarde
 4 palmer and Sueyne ffigt Betriche; And A mede the which is by and a
 the Courte of Oseney of the oper parte of þe water, for the meadow,
 which mede they schall paye Euery yere to þe Church of Seynte
 ffrideswithe for me xij. d. In the Daye of Seynte John Baptiste
 8 for all seruice. This yifte I made to þeme ffree and quite for all subject to
 seruice, both riall and otheṛ, and all exaccion in there Chapitre 13d. quit-
 afore the Couent, and vppon þe Auter, to-geduṛ with my wiffe, rent to
 I offeryd hit. Þese witnysses, &c^o. St. Frides-
 wyde's
 priory.
 [Offering on
 the altar.]

[NOTE.—The stem given in this and the deeds which follow is:—

Guy
 |
 Robert m. Sibil (217)
 |
 m. Juliana m. Ralph Boterell
 |
 Joanna m. William of Hereville (216, 218, 219)
 |
 William, flor. 1225 (220).]

12 [218.] BE hit i-knowe to all ffeyghthfull men of holy church About
 that I, Willyam of Hereville, willyng and grauntyng Johan my 1180.
 wiffe, 3afe, and with my present charter confermed, to god & to Sale to
 the church of Seynte marie of Oseneye, In-to ffree and perpetuell Oseney,
 16 almes, thoo twoo acris of londe þe which þe Incluse of Hoke- by William
 norton ynto his dethe helde In almys, that is to say, j. acre of Hereville
 vppon Otehulle, And j. in Watbrach; and j. acre of mede and wife,
 In Heme Mede, to be holde ffrely And quietly and fro all of 2 acres.
 20 Seculeṛ seruice. In-to witnesse of the which yifte þe chanons of [The In-
 þe Same church yafe to me xx. s. and to my wiffe j. Besaunte, cluse of
 þese witnesse, &c^o. Hook- Purchase-
 norton.] money, £1
 28 to husband;
 28 to wife.

[219.] BE hit i-knowe to all þe Childroṇ of ouṛ holy moduṛ About
 24 the Church that I, William of Hereville and Johan my wiffe, 1180.
 [3afe], and with this present charter confermyd, In-to ffree and Grant to
 perpetuell almys, to þe church of god and of Seynte Marie Oseney,
 of oseneye and to þe chanonṣ þere seruyng god, j. dwellyng by William
 28 of londe In Hokenorton, that is to Say, þe which Willyam of Hereville
 Hampton [helde], with pat maṇ and all his, the * which is i-set and wife,
 of land
 with its
 serf-tenant,
 * leaf 48,
 back.

and a share
of common
meadow.

[Oath on
Gospels.]

By the dwellyng of William Kywy And þe dwellyng of John burgeys; and all our parte In the mede of Smededest þe which longeth to owr flee. This owre yifte and confermyng, free froo all seruice, both riall and oper, and all exaccion for Euer to be kepidd and maynteyned, In the Chapiter of Oseney, Afore the Couent, vppoð the texte whee sware, both I and my wiffe. These witnesses.

1225.
Confirma-
tion to
Oseney,
by William
son of
William of
Hereville,
of nos.
217-9,

and grant
of a serf
or serfs.

[220.] KNOWE þaye that Be present and to Bee that I, Willyam of Hereville, first William of Hereville and of Johan his wiffe, grauntid; and with this present charter confermed, Into free pure and perpetuell almes, to god and to þe Church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, all þe londres & possessions and ffreedomes, In felde, In medes, Mesis, meñ, homages, and seruices, Sutes, and all oper thynges, þe which þey haue of þe yiftes of myne Aunceturs In Hokenorton & at Oseney, to be had and to Be i-holde for Euer, of me and of my heyres, frely and quietly fro all seruice Both ryall and other and all exaccion and Demaunde, as þe charters of my aunceturs, þat is to Saye, of Raph Boterell & of Julian his wiffe myne Beeledame, And the charters of William my ffadur and of Johan my modur, the which þe Saide chanons haueñ, witnessen. I haue i-grauntid also to þe Saide chanons, for me and myne heyres, philip Corbyñ; And if oony oper man of myne þey haue fro¹ þe daye In the which this charter was i-made, or afore. I also, William, and myne heyres, the foresaide thynges possessions and ffreedomes and all oper thynges, agaynste all meñ, to the foresaide chanons schall aquite and schall warantize for Euer. And that this myne yifte and confirmacion, Aquityng and warantizyng ferme And stable for Euer Abide, hit with this present writyng And By the puttyng to of my seale have I strengthid hit. And this charter was i-made In the nynghtthe yere of Kyng Henry þe Soone of Kyng John: þese witnessen, &c².

About
1230.
Agreement
by Oseney,

[221.] BE hit i-knowe to all true meñ that when Bitwene J.² Abbot And Couent of Oseney, of the oone parte, And John³ of Hokenortoñ, the Relicte [of] Thomas of Burne, and William 36

¹ Read 'on.'

² John de Reding, abbot 1229-35.

³ i. e. Johanna.

the Soone of hym, of the *oper parte*, whas i-stered¹ A controuersie
 In þe Courte of the Saide Abbot vppon *seruices* and *seruages*,
 that is to say, In *erynges*, *cariages*, *Medesutes*¹, *Mowynge*², and
 4 all other *Seruages* to þat dj. hide of londe the which þe Saide
 Johne of the Saide chanon³ helde In Hokenorton. At þe laste,
 at þe Peticion of Sire Henry Doyley and of Moolde his wiffe, þe
 saide chanon³ relesid³ and quite-claymed³ to þe Saide Johne and
 8 to William her Soone (relesid³ and quite-claymed³ to þe saide
 chanon³ all þe Ryght) and to the heyres of them þe foresaide
Seruices And *seruages* And for this relese & * quite-clayme þe
 saide Johne and Willyam her Soone relesid³ [and⁴ quit-claimed
 12 to the said canons all the right], for her-selfe and her heyres for
 Euer, that they had or myght haue In oone Crofte the which
 Is i-callid Parroc⁵. they relesid³ and also quite-claymed³ to
 þe Same chanon³ thre hedis þe which þe Saide chanon³ closid
 16 inne with walle, ffurpermore and⁶ Eschange þat þey had assyned³
 for þoo thre hedis. And ffurpermore, for þe foresaide *seruices*
 and *seruages* þay schall paye yerely vj. s. Also, with viij. s.
 þe which they were i-woned³ to paye for þe foresaide dj. hide of
 20 londe, at two termes of the yere, that is to say, At þe Anun-
 ciacion of Seynte Marie vij. s. And at þe fest of Seynte Mizghell
 vij. s., sauyng to þe saide chanon³ homages, relefis, wardis,
 Eschetes, and Sutes of pere courte. And that pese pynges,
 24 þe which [are] aforesaide, Abide for Euer stable, þe parties
 to þis present writyng put to pere seeles: pese witnessis, &c⁷.

to relieve a
 half-hide of
 the works
 due by it to
 the manor,

* leaf 49.
 on condi-
 tion of the
 holders
 surrender-
 ing their
 interest in
 a croft, and
 in certain
 pieces of
 land,
 paying an
 addition of
 6s. to their
 rent,

and re-
 maining
 subject to
 other
 manorial
 claims.

[222.] þis is A perpetuell Eschange i-maade At Hoke-
 norton, Bitwene frere W.⁶ Abbot of Oseney and the Couent
 28 of þe Same place of þe oone partie, And Raph of Swereforde
 clerke of þe other partie; þat is to Say, that þe saide Abbot
 And Couent yafe and grauntid³ to the foresaide Raph and to his
 heyres A place By the halfe of þe same Raph of the Northe
 32 parte þe which bygynneth of⁷ þe hie-weye And strecchith vnto
 the Ende of his Curtilage and By the hie-weye hit conteyneth

About
 1270.
 Exchange
 between
 Oseney and
 Ralph of
 Swerford,
 Oseney giv-
 ing a piece
 of land next
 Ralph's
 hall,

¹ 'metsuris.'

² 'falcaturis.'

³ The bracketed words are brought in
 here out of place from below.

⁴ Inserted from the Latin.

⁵ Verbatim from the Latin. Possibly it

means that they gave up the three 'heads,'
 and did not ask for the land promised in
 exchange.

⁶ Probably William of Sutton, abbot
 1268-84.

⁷ 'a strata publica.'

and re-
ceiving
2 roods.

xviij. foote In Brede And In the Ende of þe Same place allonly
xiiij. foote ; And the foresaide Raph, In-to þe Eschange of pat
place, yafe and grauntid' to þe foresaide Abbot And Couent, In-
to pure and perpetueñ Almes, j. rodde of Arable londe vppoñ 4
Otehulle at forthsheteñ, þat is to say, the more weste Rodde,
And anoper rodde of londe the which lieth In the Mershe
In a telthe þe which Is i-callid longefurlonge. And that þis
Eschange be sure and Stable for Euer, the parties to this 8
writyng, In-to the maner of A charter i-made, þere Seales
euerich agaynste otheñ haue i-put to: Þese witnessis John of
Herevile, &c^o.

About
1270.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Roger son
of Philip, of

[223.] KNOWE þoo that Be Nowe and to Bee that I, Roger 12
ffijt Philip of Hokenorton, yafe and grauntid' and with this
present charter confermed, for me And myne heyres and myne
assynes for Euer, to god' and to þe church of Seynte Marie
of Oseney & to þe chanonñ þere seruynggod & for Euer to serue, 16
In-to ffree pure and' perpetueñ almes, j. dñ.-yerde of londe with
þe pertinences, þat is to say :

a half-yard-
land (15½
acres), viz.
in the West
field, 3
acres, 11
half-acres,
3 roods ;

In the Westfelde, j. dñ.-acre at Mikeñ mere, In Wacbreche,
And j. dñ.-acre in Medulfurlonge In the mershe, And j. dñ.-acre 20
agaynste Kyngstrowstrete, And j. Rodde towarde smalestrete,
And j. dñ.-acre towarde thremthorn, And j. dñ.-acre In-to Wode-
weye, And j. dñ.-acre At mylborews [slade¹, and j. dñ.-acre
at Wowelonde, and j. dñ.-acre at Braylesweye], And j. Rodde 24
By smalebroke, And j. dñ.-acre vppoñ Maydenberowe, And
j. dñ.-acre vppoñ Hokernesse, And j. dñ.-acre at Sholdresweñe²,
And iij. Acris And j. Rodde Abowte Scapullhulle³ :

in East
field,
1 acre,
* leaf 49,
back.
10 half
acres ;

And in the Estfelde, dñ. an Acre at Northlonge slado, And 28
j. dñ.-acre agaynste Otehull Dicke, And j. dñ.-acre At Oldegore,
And j. dñ.-acre towarde Wlsi*esweñe, And j. dñ.-acre In North-
halfe lambecotestrete, And j. [dñ.] -acre⁴ At þe ffyfe Acris, And
j. dñ.-acre In Gerardislake, And j.-acre towarde þe Stowre, And 32
j. dñ.-acre At Threme Weñe, And j. dñ. acre At Whichemestrete,
And j. dñ.-acre By Gerardislake :

and an acre
of meadow.

And j. dñ.-acre⁵ of mede In Heme mede :

to Be holde and' to be had, to þe Saide churchē and' chanoñs, 36

¹ Added from the Latin.

² 'schokereswelle.'

³ 'Stapenhulle.'

⁴ 'half-acre' in the Latin.

⁵ 'an acre,' in the Latin, which is (as
stated in no. 24) the normal amount.

welle and In pece, firely and quietly for Euer. And I, Roger and my heyres and myne assines, to¹ þe Saide halfe yerde of londe with the pertinences to the saide church and Chanons
 4 agaynste all Juys and men schall warantize Aquite and Defende for Euer, as free pure and owr perpetuell almes. And that þis my yifte graunte, &c².

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

[224.] Know þoo that been nowe And to Be that I, John
 8 of Chorleton, yafe, grauntid, And with this presente my charter confermyd, to frere William, Abbot of Oseney, and to þe chanons þere Seruyng god and for Euer to serue, iiij. shelyngworth of yerely rent with the pertinences In Hokenorton, In-to free
 12 pure and perpetuell almys, the which thomas frankelyne yerely to me was i-wonyd to paye for j. yerde of londe and A Crofte þat is i-callid Rokeshull, to Be take of þe Same thomas and his heyres or his assines at two termes of þe yere, that is to say, at
 16 þe fest of Seynte Myzghell ij. 3. And at þe fieste of Seynte Marie in Marche ij. 3. I haue i-grauntid also, to þe foresaide Abbot and chanons, all that Euer in the foresaide rente, with his pertinences, I had or myght have, withoute oony agayne-holdyng
 20 to me or myne heyres or myne Assines perteynyng, with wardis, Releis, Hariettes, And Eschetes, And helpis, and all other thynges to þe same rente perteynyng for Euer. And I, John, And myne heyres or myne assynes, the foresaide iiij. shelyng-
 24 worth of rente with all his pertinences aforesaide, to the foresaide Abbot And chanons for Euer schall warantize, defende, And Aquite, agaynste all cristen men And Juys And women, as free pure And owr perpetuell almes. In-to witesse of the which
 28 thyng to this present writyng my seale I haue i-put to. Þese witnesses, &c².

About
1270.
Grant to
Oseney, by
John of
Chorleton,
of a quit-
rent of 4s.
as feudal
superiority
over a yard-
land,

with the
reversion-
ary rights
implied
by it.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

[225.] Knowe all men that I, Thomas lee frankaleyne, Grauntid, for me and myne heyres or myne assynes for Euer, to
 32 paye to William, Abbot of Oseney, and to þe chanons þere seruyng god, iiij. 3. yerely at þe termes In the charter that they hauen of John Chorleton of þe foresaide rente i-contente, And þat þe foresaide Abbot And chanons may distrayne [me² and

About
1270.
Acknow-
ledgement
to Oseney,
by Thomas
le franklin,
that he is
bound to

¹ Omit 'to.'

² Inserted from the Latin.

pay them
the quit-
rent, as in
no. 224.

my heirs or my assigns by whatever kind of distrain^t] þorowgh
all the londes and tenementes (holdyng¹) the which I holde In
Hokenortoñ, and² all² the foresaide londis and tenementes
holdyng, to paye to the foresaide Abbot and chanon^s þe foresaide 4
yerely rente at þe termes i-set, if wee fayle (that god forbede).
In-to witnesse, &c³.

About
1270.
* leaf 50.
Grant to
Oseney, by
John of
Chorleton,

of a
quarter-
acre.

[226.] KNOWE þoo that Beeñ nowe and to bee þat I, John
Chorleton, yafe & graun^tid⁴; and with this my present Charter 8
confermed⁵ for me and myne heyres & for the helth of my Sowle
and of moolde my wiffe And⁶ of Sibille my modur and⁶ for þe
Sowle of my fiadur, In-to pure and⁶ perpetueñ almes, to god⁶ and⁶
to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanon^s þere 12
seruyng god, þe fourth parte of j. acre þe which lieth By the
pasture the which Is i-callid⁷ Helecumbe³ and strecchith In-
to another fourth parte of j. acre of þe foresaide chanon^s of
þe weste parte At Wiggelanam⁴. And I, John, and⁶ myne 16
heyres, the foresaide fourth parte of j. acre to þe foresaide
church and⁶ chanon^s agaynst all meñ and women⁶ for Euer⁶
schañ warrantize. And that this my 3evyng, &c³.

About
1280.
Grant to
Oseney, by
John son
of John of
Chorleton,

of an en-
closure
on which
stood a
sheephouse.

[227.] KNOWE þoo that Be nowe and to Bee that I, John, 20
the Soone of⁶ þe heyre of John Cherlton, yafe and Grauntid⁴
and with this my charter confermyd⁵, for me and myne heyres or
myne Assynes, to god⁶ and⁶ to þe church of Seynte Marie of
Oseney and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng god and for Euer to 24
serue, for my helth and of Cristine my wiffe and⁶ of my childreñ
And for þe helth of my fiadur & modur and⁶ myne Aunceturs, In-
to free pure And⁶ perpetueñ Almes, that⁶ place with all the
closyng Inne, In Hokenortoñ, vppoñ the which stode þe shepe- 28
howse of John Sumtyme my Beelesire And of John Sumtyme
my fiadur, the which lieth By the Abbotes londe of Oseneye of
þe North^e parte: to be holde and to Be had, to þe Saide
chanon^s and⁶ to þe⁶ Successours, of me and⁶ of my heyres or my 32
assines, as firely as I John or oony of myne aunceturs hit with
all the clolid⁷ Inne euer mooste firely helde, withoute oony

¹ Omit, out of place: unless it is '[or]
holdyng[s],' an alternative rendering.

² 'all ... holding' = all who hold: 'omnes
... tenentes' = omnes, qui tenent. ...

³ Holecumbe.

⁴ 'apud Wyggelewam.'

⁵ Read 'and.'

⁶ 'illam placeam cum toto incluso.'

withholdyng. And I, John, and myne heyres or myne Assynes, the Saide place, with alle the close, to be foresaide church and chanon^s and to pere successours, agaynste all men, cristen^d And Juys, schaff warantize, Aquite, and defende, as our pure and Euerlastyng almes. And pat my yifte & graunte and of charter confirmacion, &c^o.

[Warranty against Jews.]

[228.] To all cristen^d men to the which this present writyng
 8 schaff come, Thomas¹, Erle of Warwike, the Soone of Henry Erle of Warwike helth. To all your knowlege I will it to come, for the helth of my Sowle and of the Sowle of my aunceturs, [me] to haue i-grauntid and with this present charter to
 12 haue i-confermyd, for me Ande myne heyres for Euer, to god and to be church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to be Chanon^s In hit Seruyng god, all the londes, goodes, and possession^s, bothe² of the Church and of the lay fee, yiftes, grauntes, confir^{*}macions,
 16 and ffreedom^s, to be^m i-yefe (to³ be^m) of there Aduocates, that is to Say, of Robert Doylly and of Edithe his wiffe, of Henry Doylly the first, of Henry Doylly be Secunde, and⁴ of all his ffree men tenauntes (or holders) of the fee of Doylly, as be
 20 charters of be^m (all be which be Same chanon^s vppoⁿ these thynges hau^en) witnessen^d: to be holde and to Be had, to be saide chanon^s for Euer, In-to ffree pure and perpetuell almes, wesse and In pece, ffrely and quietly, hooly and worschipfully, In
 24 there owne Demaynes, & villenages, In wodys, playnys, medes, ffedynges, pasturis, Communes, waters, Milles, poundes⁵, ffyssheweres, stewys, weyis, Patthis, and in all othe^r thynges and places, with all liberteis and ffree custom^s, quietaunces, and
 28 with all thynges [pertaining⁶, in town and without town, as in the charters of all the beforesaid more] fully Been^d conteyned. And this Grauntynge, I. And⁷ all-soo with all liberteis and with all pertinences, In towne and owte of towne, as In charters

1232.

Confirmacion to Oseney, by Thomas, earl of Warwick,

of all grants by * leaf 50, back. his predecessors in the barony of Hooknorton, and by men of their fee,

with all manorial privileges.

¹ Thomas of Newburgh, succeeded as 6th earl of Warwick in 1229, died 1242, had inherited the barony of Hooknorton from his mother Margery, sister and heiress of Henry Doyly II.

² 'possessiones tam ecclesiasticas quam laicas.'

³ The bracketed words are in error for 'of the gifts'; 'eis collatas de donis advo-

catorum suorum.' Here 'advocati' is used in the technical sense of the 'patrons' (i. e. the Doyly family) of Oseney.

⁴ 'et omnium liberorum hominum tenencium de feodo de Oylli.'

⁵ i. e. ponds: '(in) stagnis.'

⁶ Added from the Latin.

⁷ i. e. the copyist now brings in the words he has dropped two lines above.

of all þe foresaide thynges fully Been conteyned. Þese Been witnesse Godefrey of Graucumbe¹, þenne schrewe of oxonforde, ꝛ.

About
1260?
Grant to
Oseney, by
Simon of
Hereville,
of his in-
terest in
a stream,
to supply
their mill-
pond.

[229.] To all cristen men, Symon of Hereville helth In 4
our lorde. Knowe ye all me to haue i-grauntid² and quite
to haue i-claymed; for me and myne heyres, to Sir Richard³
Abbot of Oseney, and to þe chanonls þere Seruyng god, all the
ryght and clayme þat I had or myght have In the litull Riuer 8
that is i-callid Karsewelle lake, so that þe Saide chanonls the
saide lake vpon þere Demayne maye turne hit to þere Milfe
and quietly maye haue hit, withoute oony agayne-saying of me
or of myne heyres for Euer. In-to witnesse, &c⁹. 12

About
1270.
Grant to
Oseney, by
William le
Brune,
of an acre
of meadow.

[230.] KNOWE⁴ they that Been nowe And to Bee that [I],
William lee Brune yafe & Grauntid; toke and Delivered; and
with my present charter confermyd; for me and myne heyres for
Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseneye and 16
to þe chanonls þere seruing God and for Euer to Serue, j. acre of
mede In the commune mede of Hokenorton In Smechdole: to
be holde and to Be had, to þe saide church and Chanonls, welte
and In pece, ffrely and quietly, In-to ffree pure and perpetuell 20
almes for Euer. And I William and myne heyres the Saide
acre of mede, to þe fforesaide chanonls of Oseney, agaynste all
pepuß (Juys and cristen men), schaff warantize, Aquite, And
Defende for Euer. In-to witnesse, &c⁹. 24

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

About
1270.
Grant to
Oseney, by
William le
Brune,
of a half-
acre.
* leaf 51.

[231.] KNOWE thoo that Be nowe And to Bee that I, William
lee Brune of Hokenorton, yafe and Grauntid and with this
present charter confermyd, for me & for myne heyres for Euer,
to God and to þe church of Seynte Marie of oseney and to the 28
Chanonls þere Seruyng and for Euer to Serue, j. dñ.-Acre of
*Arable londe In the Weste Crofte Att Botted Dich: to Be
holde and to Be had; to þe Saide church and chanonls þere
Seruyng god, well and in pece, ffrely and quietly, In-to ffree 32

¹ Godfrey of Crawcumbe was sheriff of Oxfordshire, 10-16 Henry III, 1226-31: Davenport's *Oxfordshire* (1888), p. 25.

² Marginal note: 'Kersewell lake to cum to their myll which lake is called the

shere Lake & lyeth above Kerseis were.'

³ Probably Richard de Apletre, abbot 1254-68.

⁴ Marginal note: 'Hokenorton.'

and *perpetueff* almes for Euer. And I, William lee Brune, and myne heyres, þe Saide dñ.-acre of londe, to the Saide church and chanon̄s of Oseneye, agaynste all meñ and womeñ, schall
4 warantize Aquite and Defende ffor Euer. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

[232.] KNOWE þoo that Beñ nowe and to Bee þat I, William lee Brune of Hokenortoñ, yafe Grauntid and with this present charter *confermyd*, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to
8 God and to the church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s *pere* Seruyng, a yerely rente of j. d. In the towne of Hokenortoñ, the which thomas frankaleyne of Hokenortoñ was i-wonyd to paye to me In the Daye of Seynt John Baptiste,
12 and what-So-Euer þyng maye happe of the Same rente, withoute reteynng to me and to myne heyres for Euer: to be holde and to Be had, to the saide Church and chanon̄s *pere* Seruyng god, well and In peece, ffreely and quietly, In-to ffree pure and *per-*
16 *petueff* almys for Euer. And I, William Browne, and myne heyres, þe foresaide rente with þe pertinences, to the Saide church and chanon̄s, agaynste all meñ, schall warantize Aquite And Defende ffor Euer. In-to witnyssse, &c^o.

About 1270. Grant to Oseney, by William le Brune, of a quit-rent of 1d., as feudal superiority over lands (cf. 224), with the reversionary and other rights implied by it.

20 [233.] KNOWE þoo that Bee nowe and to Bee that I, William lee Brune, yafe Grauntid and with this present charter *confermyd*, for me And myne heyres for Euer, to God And to þe church of Seynt Marie of Oseneye and to þe chanon̄s *pere* Seruyng
24 god and for Euer to Serue, j. dñ.-acre of Arable londe In the ffelde of Hokenortoñ agaynste thremthorñ By-Side the londe of William Sweyne, And j. Rodde of londe the wich strecchith hit-Selfe In lambecotestrete By the londe of William Sweyne:
28 to be holde and to be had, well and In peece, ffrely and quietly, In-to ffree and *perpetueff* almes for Euer. And I, William, and myne heyres, þe Saide dñ.-acre and j. rodde of londe, to þe fore-
saide church and chanon̄s *pere* seruyng god, agaynste all meñ
32 and womeñ, schall warantize Aquite And Defende for Euer. In-to witness, &c^o.

About 1270. Grant to Oseney, by William le Brune, of a half-acre, and a rood.

[234.] KNOWE þoo that Bee present and to Be that I, William Brune, yafe and Grauntid toke and Deliuered and with
36 this present charter *confermed*, for me and myne heyres for Euer,

About 1270. Grant to Oseney, by

William le
Brune,

of a half-
acre and
2 butts,
* leaf 51,
back.
subject to
quit-rent
of 1s. 6d.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseneye and to þe
chanon̄s þere Scruyng god and for Euer to Serue, for my helth
and of Anneys my wiffe and of my Aunceturs, In-to ffree pure
and perpetuell almes, j. dñ.-Acre of Arable londe, with ij. Buttes, 4
Att Hertelfeet¹ In the ffeelde of Hokenortoñ, sauynge * A rente
of xvij. d. to² the foresaide chanon̄s at ij. termes In the yere to
Be payd: to Be holde and to be had, to þe Saide church and
chanon̄s, well and in pece, ffirely and quietly for Euer. And I, 8
William, and my heyres, the Saide londe with the pertinences,
to the saide church and chanon̄s, Agaynste all meñ, Juys and
Cristen, schall warantize, Aquite, & Defende for Euer. In-to
witnessse, &c³.

12

About
1230.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Robert
Bernard,
of feudal
superiority
over a free-
hold, repre-
sented by
5s. quit-
rent.

Purchase-
money, £2.

[235.] KNOWE þoo that been nowe and to Bee that I,
Robert Bernarde of Hokenortoñ, for my helth and with thassente
of ffelice My wyffe and of Geffrey my ffirst Borne Soone, yafe
and Grauntid, and with this present charter confermyd, to God 16
and to the church of Seynte Marie of Oseneye and to þe chanon̄s
þere seruyng god, all the ryȝht that I had or myȝht haue In
j. acre³ of londe, with þe pertinences, at Hokenortoñ, that is to
Say, þe which that philippe of Hampton helde of me, payyng to 20
me yerely v. s., [that is to say], at þe Birth of our lorde ij. s. vj. d.
and at þe Natiuite of Seynte John Baptiste ij. s. vj. d.: to be
had and to Be holde, to þe Same chanons for Euer, with homages
of þe Same philippe, and with all pertinences, ffirely And pesibly, 24
hooly and quietly, fro all Seculer service, exaccion, and Demaunde,
sauynge þe Tenure of þe Same philippe and of his heyres. And
I, the Saide Robert, and myne heyres, the saide yevyng to the
Saide chanon̄s schall warantize and Defende for Euer agaynste 28
all meñ and women. And for this yevyng Grauntynge con-
fermyng and warantizyng [the⁴ said canons gave me, of the
charity of the house, iij. marks. And that this my gift may] 32
Abide Sure and Stedefast (also confermyng and warantizyng),
hit, with this present writyng and puttyng too of my Seale,
I have i-strenghtid hit: Þese witnessis, &c³.

¹ 'Hertelston.'

² Read probably 'by'; but the Latin is
'predictis Canoniciis' not 'a predictis.'

³ Read 'yardland': *virgata*.

⁴ Added from the Latin.

- [236.] Know thoo þat Bee nowe and to Bee that I, [Robert] Bernarde of Hokenortoñ, for þe helth of my Sowle and of the Sowles of my aunceturs, yafe and grauntid and with this present charter confermyd, to god¹ and to þe church of Seynt marie of Oseneye and to þe chanon² þere Seruyng god, viij. acris of lond in the feldis of Hokenortoñ, that is to Say, iiij. acris In j. felde and iiij. a ris in a-nothe^r ffelde, the which (that is to Say) viij. acris Dame sibille sumtyme wiffe of Henry Doylly to ferme of me helde; And flurperm^{ore} j. acre, that is to Say, dñ. and acre agaynste Suddonam [in] j. felde, and dñ. and acre In Wulstanescropte In the othe^r ffelde: to be holde and to be had, and a half-acre in one field, and a half-acre in another.
- 12 to the Saide chanon³ for Euer, In-to ffree pure and perpetuefl almes, weste and In peece, flrely and quietly, fro all Seruise, secule^r exaccion, and Demaunde. And I and myne heyres the foresaide lond to þ^e Saide chanon³ for Euer schaffe * warantige, * leaf 52.
- 16 Defende, And Aquite, agaynste all men And women. In-to witnesse of the which, &c².

- [237.] KNOWE yee that Bee nowe and to Bee that I, Robert Bernarde of Hokenortoñ, yafe and Grauntid and with this present writyng confermed, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to God and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseneye and to þe chanon³ þere seruyng god, iij. acris of Arable lond and j. dñ. In the ffeldis of Hokenortoñ: þat is to Say, dñ. and acre by-yonde of 3½ acres arable in strips,
- 24 Northfurlonge slade vpon Otehulle, and j. acre and a dñ. In the crofte of the saide Robert and of John Charleton the which hit-selfe strecchith in-to þe Brynge¹, And j. dñ.-acre the which strecchith hit-selfe In-to the lenght of the Dicke bitwene the
- 28 Crofte of the Erle and the Crofte of the Saide Robert of the Sowthe partie, And j. dñ.-Acre In Wadbrech the which strecchith hit-selfe In-to lambecotestrete, and dñ. and acre In the Mershe, that is to say, In medefurlonge² by the mede³ of John Chorle-
- 32 toñ; And ij. acris of mede, that is to Say, In merewestfurlonge dñ. and acre, And in Slogfurlonge dñ. and acre, And vpon lode-west Hille dñ. and acre, And [at] thremewest dñ. and acre: to be holde and to be had, with all pertinences, to þe saide church
- 36 and chanon³, In-to ffree pure and perpetuefl almys, weste and In and 2 acres meadow in strips,

¹ 'in ripam.'² 'Medfurlunge.'³ 'iuxta terram.'

peece, frely and quietly fro all Secule^r seruice and Demaunde for Euer. And I, Robert, & myne heyres, all the foresaide thynges, with the pertinences, to þe foresaide churchie and chanon^s schaff warantize and Defende Agaynste all pepull for 4 Euer. In-to witnessis, &c^o.

About
1230.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Robert
Bernard,
of 2 acres.

[238.] KNOWE thoo þat be nowe and to Bee that I, Robert Bernarde of Hokenorton, yafe and Grauntid, and with this present charter confermyd, to God^r and to Seynte marie of 8 Oseneye and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng god^r, for þe sowle of my ffadu^r and of my modu^r and of myne aunceturs, ij. acris of londe In the towne of Hokenorton, that is to saye, In the northfelde, j. acre þe which turneth towarde the waye of 12 Smalebroc; In felde towarde þe Est, dñ.-acre þe which turneth towarde fiffacram¹, and dñ.-acre þe which turneth vppoⁿ Karswelle lake: to be holde, In-to pure and perpetuell almys. Þese witnessis, &c^o. 16

About
1230.
Sale to
Oseney,
by Robert
Bernard,
* leaf 52,
back.
of a half-
acre and a
piece of
land,
a half-acre,
and a rood.

[239.] KNOWE þey that Bee nowe and to Bee that I, Robert Bernarde of Hokenorton yafe and Grauntid, and with my present charter confermyd, for me and for myne heyres for Euer, to God and to þe church of Oseney and to þe chanon^s 20 *þere seruyng God, In-to ffree and perpetuell almys, j. dñ.-acre of londe, that is to say, the ffirst dñ.-acre of my crofte In the Este partie, with A litull parte of lond^r lying to, þe which is i-callid^r le Schelde; And anoper dñ.-acre Euyⁿ agaynste 24 ye courte of Joñn chorletoⁿ, that is to say, þe ffyrst þe which 2 is i-schortid^r; and j. Rodde In Wadbrecche, that is to say, In mydullfurlonge nexte of the forewe: to be holde and to be had^r to þe saide chanons for Euer, well and In peece, ffrely 28 and quietly fro all Secule^r seruice exaccion and Demaunde. And I and myne heyres þe saide londe with [the pertinences] to þe saide chanon^s for Euer schaff warantize [and] defende agaynste all pepull, and of all seruice secule^r & exaccion schaff 32 aquite and defende. And for this yifte Graunte and warantyzyng þe saide chanon^s relesid^r to me all þe Dette that 3 Purchase-money, £1. I wowid^r of the arrerage of my rente, that is to say, xx. ð.

¹ 'super Siffacram.'

² 'qu[a]e curtatur.'

³ 'quod eis debebam.'

of siluer. And that this yifte Graunte and warantizyng sure and stable for Euer to Abide, to this present writyng hee put to his seale: Pese witnessis, &c^o.

4 [240.] KNOWE þoo that been nowe and to Bee that I, Robert Bernarde of Hokenorton, for my helth and of myne, with passent of felice my wiffe and of Geffrey my firste soone, yafe, Grauntid, and with this present charter confermyd, to god
8 and to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng god, all the ryght that I had or myght have In oone mese at Hokenorton that Adam Sparowe helde þe which is nexte to my dwellyng, of þe which þe same Adam yeldith to
12 me yerely ij. s., þat is to say, at cristmasse xij. d. and at þe ffest of Seynte John Baptiste xij. d.: to be holde and to be had, to the saide chanon^s for Euer, of me and myne heyres, with homage and Seruice and the foresaide rente of the foresaide
16 Adam, sauynge þe tenure or holdyng of þe same and his heyres, well and In peece, hooly and quietly fro all seculer seruice demaunde and exaccion, Also with the foresaide homage, seruice, and rente aforesaide, of the saide heyres of Adam. And I ande
20 myne heyres all the foresaide þynges to þe foresaide chanon^s schall warantize agaynste all pepull. And for þis yevyng, Grauntynge, confermyng, and warantizyng, þe saide chanon^s yafe to me xx. s. of sterlynges of charite of here howse. And
24 that this yevyng, &c^o.

About 1230.

Sale to Oseney, by Robert Bernard, of a quit-rent of 2s. out of a messuage, and his other interest in the messuage.

Purchase-money, £1. [Ten years' purchase.]

[241.] KNOWE þoo that been nowe and to Bee that I, Robert Bernarde of Hokenorton, for me and myne heyres, yafe Grauntid and with this pre^sent charter confermyd, for my
28 helth and of myne, for Euer to God and to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng god, þe Rente of vj. d. In Hokenorton, þe which Stephyn Mody was i-wonyd yerely to yelde to me for [iiij.] acris of my londe In the Same
32 towne, that is to say, ij. acris In oone felde, and ij. in A-nother, and what-so-Euer thyng in the same rente I had or myght haue, withoute oony withholdyng-agayne to me and to myne heyres: to be hold and to be had, to þe saide chanon^s for Euer,
36 well and In peece, ffrely and quietly fro all seculer seruice exaccion and Demaunde. And I and myne heyres the saide

About 1230.

Sale to Oseney, * leaf 53. by Robert Bernard,

of a quit-rent of 6d. out of 4 acres, and his other interest in these acres.

Purchase-
money, 5s.
[Ten years'
purchase.]

rente of vj. d. to þe saide chanon̄s for Euer schaff warantize agaynste all pepul̄, schaff defende and aquite. And for this yevyng *Grauntyng* and warantizyng þe saide chanon̄s yafe to me before-handes v. s. In-to witesse, &c^o.

4

About
1230.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Robert
Bernard,
of a piece
of land.

[242.] KNOWE þey that been now and to bee þat I Robert Bernarde of Hokenortoñ yafe *Grauntid* and with this present charter confermyd, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s 8 þere seruyng god, all that parte of the londe the which [is] of my courte þe which lieth bitwene my chefe howse and the howse of Adam Sparewe and hit conteyneth þe Space of xxxviij. fote In brede and xxviij. fote In þe lenght: to be hold and to be 12 had, to þe saide chanon̄s, In-to fire pure and perpetuell almys, well and In pece, firely and quietly, to be i-bildid and i-disposid after þat þey seme best to þem to be goode. And I Robert and myne heyres all the foresaide thynges to þe saide chanon̄s schaff 16 warantize and all seculer service exaccion and Demaunde schaff Aquite and Defende agaynste all pepul̄ for Euer. And that this yevyng, &c^o.

About
1232?
Sale to
Oseney,
by Jeffrey
son of
Robert
Bernard,
of his
messuage
and all his
lands, with
all his in-
terest in
them.

[243.] KNOWE þoo that ben nowe and to be that I, Geffrey 20 Bernarde, þe Soone of Robert Bernarde of Hokenortoñ, yafe and *Grauntid* and with this present charter [confirmed] and quite-claymed for me and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to the church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s in hit seruyng 24 god, all my londe with the pertinences the which to me by heritage descendit of the same Robert my ffadūr, with the mese that whas of my ffadurs¹, & with all other pertinences to the same londe perteynyng, And all the ryzght þat I had or myzght have 28 in all the foresaide thynges, withoute oony holdyng-agayne to me or to myne heyres for Euer: to be holde and to be had, to the saide church and to þe chanon̄s for Euer, well and In pece, firely *and quietly fro all seculer service exaccion and 32 demaunde. And I and my heyres þe saide londe, with the mese and with all pertinences and his ryzghtes, to þe saide church and chanon̄s schaff warantize for Euer agaynste all men and women. And for this yevyng *Grauntyng* quite-claymyng 36

* leaf 53,
back.

¹ 'patris mei.'

and warantizyng, the saide chanon^s yafe to me xxx. s., and ij. quarters of corne, þat is to say, dñ. of whete and dñ. of Rye. And that this yevyng, &c^o.

Purchase-money, £1 10s. with a quarter of wheat and one of rye.

- 4 [244.] KNOWE þoo that þen nowe and to Be that I, thomas Koterell of Hokenortoñ, yafe and Grauntid and with this present charter confermyd, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Oseneye and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng
- 8 God and for Euer to serue, In-to free pure and perpetueñ almes, j. dñ.-acre of Arable londe In the West ffelde of Hokenortoñ stretchyng in-to roleheme mere by the londe of philip Aylwarde, And A-nother dñ.-acre of londe at Stapell by the
- 12 londe of Symon Cotereñ, And in the Est ffelde dñ.-acre of londe stretchyng in-to fforew by the parke of Swereforde bytwene the londe of thomas Sparowe and Symonde Cotereñ: to be holde and to be had, to the saide church and chanon^s þere seruyng
- 16 god, well ande In peece, ffrely and quietly, In-to free pure and perpetueñ almys for Euer. And I, thomas, and myne heyres, the saide dñ.-acres, with the pertinences, to þe saide church and chanon^s þer seruyng god, agaynste all men and women schall
- 20 warantize aquite and Defende for Euer. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

About 1280? Grant to Oseney, by Thomas Cotterell,

of a half-acre,

a half-acre,

and a half-acre.

- [245.] KNOWE þoo that þen nowe and to bee that I, Symonde Cotereñ of Hokenortoñ, yafe and Grauntid, and with this present charter confermyd, for me and myne heyres
- 24 for Euer, to God and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseneye and to þe chanon^s þere seruyng God and for Euer to serue, In-to free pure and perpetueñ almys, j. dñ.-acre of Arable londe In þe West ffelde of Hokenortoñ stretchyng In-to roleheme
- 28 Mere by the londe of thomas Cotereñ [and ¹ another half-acre of land in the East field, between the land of Robert le Lay and Thomas Cotereñ] stretchyng in þe fforewe by the Parke of Swereforde: to be holde and to Be had, to þe saide church and
- 32 chanon^s þere seruyng God, well and in peece, ffrely and quietly, In-to free pure ande perpetueñ almes for Euer. And I, Symonde, and myne heyres, the foresaide dñ.-acre of londe, with the pertinences, to þe saide church and chanon^s þere seruyng

About 1280? Grant to Oseney, by Simon Cotterell,

of two half-acres.

[Swerford Park.]

¹ Added from the Latin.

God, agaynste all men and women schall warantize Aquite and defende for Euer. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

About
1280?
* leaf 54.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Robert
Chapman,
of a half-
acre.

[246.] KNOWE þoo that Been nowē and to Bee that I, Robert chapman of Hok[enorton], y^afe and Grauntid, and 4 with this present charter haue confermyd, for me and my heyres for Euer, to God and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng God and for Euer to serue, (ij. rodes¹ of londe In the ffelde of Hokenorton vppoñ 3 Stapulhuſſe by the londe of fflorence of mydylynton): to be holde and to be had, to the saide church and chanon̄s þere seruyng god, weſt and In peece, ffrely and quietly, In-to ffree pure and perpetueſt almys for Euer. And I and myne heyres 12 þe saide londe to þe saide church and chanon̄s agaynste all pepuſſ schall warantize aquite ande defende for Euer. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

About
1280?
Grant to
Oseney,
by Alice of
Whichford,
of 2 roods.

[247.] KNOWE þoo that beñ nowē and to Bee that I Aliȝ of 16 Whichforde yafe ande Grauntid, with and this present charter confermyd, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to the chanon̄s þere seruyng god and þere to Serue for Euer, ij. roddis of londe 20 In the ffelde of Hokenorton vppoñ stapulhuſſe By the londe of fflorence of Midelynton: to Be holde and to be had to the saide church and chanon̄s þere seruyng God, weſt and In peece, ffrely and quietly, In-to ffree pure and perpetueſt Almes for Euer. 24 And I Aliȝ and myne heyres the forsaide roddis of londe to þe foresaide church and chanon̄s þere seruyng god agaynste all men And women schall warantize Aquite and Defende. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

28

About
1280?
Grant to
Oseney,
by Henry
Dymock,
of 1 rood.

[248.] KNOWE þoo that Been nowē and to bee that I, Henry Dymmoc of Hokenorton, yafe and Grauntid, and with this present charter confermyd, to God and to þe Church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, 32 j. rodde of Arable londe agaynste Rowein Huſſe, Bitwene the

¹ By a singular mistake the translator at this point brings in the substance of no. 247. It runs in the Latin 'one half-acre

of land at the Hologore, next the land of John of Cherlton.'

londe [of John] de la burne and the londe of the lorde Abbot In the ffelde of Hokenortoñ : to be holde and to be had, to þe saide church and chanon̄s þere seruyng god, weñ and In peece, ffrely
 4 And quietly, in-to ffree pure and perpetueñ almes for Euer. And I Henry Dymmoc and myne heyres þe saide rodde afore-i-namyd to þe foresaide church and Chanon̄s of Oseney agaynste all meñ and women̄ schall warantize aquite and Defende for
 8 Euer. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

[249.] KNOWE poo that Beeñ nowe and to bee that I, Adam Bercañ¹ alias scheperde, yafe, Grauntid, and with this present charter confermyd, to God and to þe chanon̄s of Seynte
 12 marie of Oseney and to frere William² Abbot and to þe chanon̄s there seruyng god and for Euer to serue, iij. dñ. acris of Arable londe In þe ffeldis of Hokenortoñ, with all the pertinences, whereof j. dñ.-acre lieth at *Shokeresseweñ, and a-notheñ
 16 dñ.-Acre In Wadbrech In the Westefelde, And þe iij. dñ.-acre lieth vppoñ Otehuñ in the Estefelde : to be holde And to be had, to þe saide church Abbot and Couent and to þere successoures, of me and of myne heyres, In-to pure and per-
 20 petueñ almes. And I and my heyres and myne Assynes þe saide dñ.-acres all iij. of londe, with the pertinences, to þe foresaide church Abbot and chanon̄s and to þere successours, agaynste All cristen meñ and Juys schall warantize Aquite
 24 and Defende, as owñ pure and perpetueñ Almes. And that this my yifte, &c^o.

About 1280. Grant to Oseney, by Adam the shepherd, of 3 half-acres.
 * leaf 54, back.

[Warranty against Jews.]

[250.] KNOWE poo that Beeñ nowe and to bee that I, William Elicronke³ of Hokenortoñ, yafe, Grauntid, and with
 28 this my charter confermyd, for me and myne heyres and myne Assynes, to God and to þe church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, In-to pure and perpetueñ almes, xij. dñ. of yerely rente the which I was i-wonyd to take
 32 yerely of John fñyt William Millere for oone mese with A Curtilage and iij. Acres of Arable londe þe which he helde of me In Hokenortoñ for his homage and Seruise. I yafe also to þe Saide church and chanon̄s homage and Seruise of þe saide John

About 1260. Grant to Oseney, by William Olicronke,

of a quit-rent of 12. out of a freehold messuage and lands, with all the feudal

¹ 'Adam de Hokenortona, bercarius.'

² William of Sutton, abbot 1268-84.

³ or 'Olicronc.'

rights im-
plied by it.

and of his heyres, and what-so-Euer thyng in the foresaide rente, mese, Curtilage, and Arable londe, with the pertinences, I had or myȝht haue, as In homage, Eschetes, Wardys, Relefs, Sutes, Helpis, and in all maner exaccions and Demaundes, 4 withoute any reteynng to me or to myne heyres or myne Assynes. [And I William and mine heirs] all the foresaide thynges, to be foresaide church and chanons, agaynste all cristen men And Jues schall warantize, aquite, and Defende, 8 as our pure and perpetueu almys. In-to witnesse, &c⁹.

[Warranty
against
Jews.]

About
1260.

Sale to
Godstow,
by William
Olicrone,
of part of a
curtilage,

[251.] KNOWE poo that Bee nowe and to Bee that I, William first Roger Olicrone, relesid and quite-claymed, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to Sir Richard¹ Abbot of Oseney 12 and to be chanons pere Seruyng god and to pere successours, halfe of my gardeyne or Curtilage, with the pertinences, In the Est parte In Hokenorton;

and of [a
half-yard-
land:—
viz.],
8 acres in
West field,
lying in
14 half-
acres, and
4 roods;

and viij. acres of Arable londe In the Weste ffelde, of the 16 which dȝ. acre lieth at ffayrewell²; and dȝ. acre vppon Stapul-
hulle; and dȝ. acre at Botoddich; j. rodde vppon fllexhulle;
dȝ. acre in Mershe strecchith hit-selfe in-to the mede; dȝ. acre
in Middulfurlonge, in mershe; j. rodde, In longefurlonge; 20
dȝ. acre, vndur Hokernesse; dȝ. acre, at Shokeiweille more;
dȝ. acre, In longe Swynesdich; dȝ. acre strecchith hit-selfe (in³)
post, *id est*, after longe smale broke; dȝ. acre, aboue Martyns
Mitte; dȝ. acre By-yonde Milburges slade; dȝ. acre strecchit hit- 24
Selfe post, *id est*, after longe Wodefordesweye; dȝ. acre in
Stowre in the weste parte of langedene; dȝ. acre in Alueshammes
furlonge strecchith hit-Selfe in Smalestrete, [1 rodde⁴ in Smale
strete] in Wadbrech, and j. rodde In Kyngessetrowstrete; 28

and 7½ acres
1 rood in
East field,
* leaf 55.
lying in
14 half-
acres and
3 roods,

and vij. acres and dȝ. and j. rodde In the Est ffelde, of
pe which dȝ. an acre lieth vppon the downe In the hye-weye
of Icheforde, dȝ. acre at thremewell, *dȝ. acre In the crofte more
weste, j. acre⁵ and j. Rodde In the Same crofte, dȝ. acre In 32
Wolstan crofte, j. rode vppon the downe, j. dȝ. acre at⁶ the

¹ Probably Richard of Apletre, abbot
1254-68.

² 'Seyrewell.'

³ Omit 'in.' For some reason the trans-
lator retains the Latin word 'post.'

⁴ Added from the Cotton MS.

⁵ '1 acre' also in the Latin, but should
perhaps be 'j dȝ-acre,' since the items are
half-an-acre in excess of the total.

⁶ 'ad pontem de Astwelle.'

welle of Aftwelle, dñ. acre at fifborogh¹, dñ. acre at Weste rugge weye, dñ. acre at Otehuſſe dicke, dñ. acre at Katesbreyne, dñ. acre at ffayrewelle, dñ. acre at Rugge weye by the fforowe of William
 4 Swayne, dñ. acre at² Monekenlake, dñ. acre at³ Ruydoñ, and j. rode At Astwellebrugge;

and j. acre of mede Euery yere In the commune mede of the same towne;

and an acre in the common meadow.

8 with all his pertinences, in the towne And withoute the towne, withoute oony reteynynge to me or to myne heyres, So (that is to say) that nother I noþer myne heyres in the foresaide halfe curtilage, londe, and mede, with the pertinences,
 12 clayme or oony other ryȝht here-after may clayme, noþer to haue. And for this relese and my quite-clayme þe foresaide Abbot and Couent yafe to me iiij. marke of Siluer, and relesid to me and to myne heyres ij. s. vj. d. of rente þe which for the
 16 saide londe to þe foresaide Abbot and Couent yerely I was i-woned to paye. And that this my relese and quite-clayme, &c^o.

Purchase-money, £2 13s. 4d., and extinction of the quit-rent by which it was held from Oseney.

[252.] KNOWE þey that been nowe and to Bee that I, John of tywe, yafe and Grauntyd, and with my present charter
 20 confermyd, for me and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseneye and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng God, j. dñ.-acre of Arable londe In the ffelde of Hokenorton, þe which [half] acre strecchith In-to Rowenhuffes
 24 dicke; and j. rodde, In-to stapulhuſſe of the Sowthe partie, by the londe of Florence of Midulton; And j. rodde of mede, In-to merewelle ffurlong [and⁴ one rodde of mede, into Swche-wirthbede: to be holde and to be had] to þe Saide church and
 28 chanon̄s þere seruyng god, welle and In peece, ffrely and quietly, in-to ffree pure and perpetueſt almys for Euer. And I John and myne heyres þe foresaide londe to þe foresaide church and chanon̄s þere seruyng god agaynste all meñ and womeñ schall
 32 warantize And aquite ande Defende for Euer. In-to witnesse, &c^o.

About 1260^p Grant to Oseney, by John of Tew, of a half-acre and a rood arable,

and a rood of meadow.

[253.] KNOWE þoo that Been nowe and to Bee that I, John of Tywe, yafe And Grauntid, and with this charter confermyd,

About 1260^p Grant to

¹ Or 'Fisborogh.'

² 'contra.'

³ 'sub.'

⁴ Added from the Latin.

Oseney,
by John
of Tew,
of 3 roods
arable.

for me and myne heyres ffor Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god & for Euer to serue, iij. roddis of Arable londe In the ffelde of Hokenortoñ At Wlsiwelle By the roddys of Richard Reve¹: 4 to be holde and to be had to þe saide church and chanon̄s þere seruyng god, well and In peece, ffrely and quietly, In-to ffree pure ande perpetueñ almys for Euer. And I John and myne heyres þe foresaide iij. rodys off londe to þe saide church and⁸ chanon̄s þere seruyng God agaynste all men and women schall warantize aquite and Defende for Euer as pure and perpetueñ almys. In-to witnesse, &c⁹.

About
1230.
Grant to
Oseney, by
Thomas,
son of
Roger,
* leaf 55,
back.
of a half-
yardland
(but with-
out its
messuage),

[254.] KNOW þoo that Be nowe and to bee pat I, thomas 12
ffȝt Roger of Hokenortoñ, ffor the helth of my Sowle and of my
aunceturs, quite-claymed relesid and Deliuereð, and with this
present charter confermyð, ffor me and myne heyres, to God
and to the * church of Seynte Marie of Oseney and to þe chanons 16
þere seruyng god, In-to ffree And perpetueñ almes, dȝ. yerde of
londe, with all his pertinences, oute-take a mese, In Hokenortoñ,
pat is to say, dȝ. yerde of londe þe which lieth by the londe of
Swetyng, þe which londe afore I helde of them: to be had and²⁰
to be holde for Euer, well and In peece, ffrely and quietly, holy
and worschippfully, In weyes and In pathis, playnys, ffedynges,
ande pastures, and In all oper thynges and places, to þe same
londe perteynyng, And what-so-Euer thyng in the Same londe 24
I had or myȝht haue, withoute oony reteynyng to me or
to myne heyres, quietly fro all seculer seruice exaccion and
Demaunde. And the saide chanon̄s me and myne heyres quite-
claymed of þe seruice pat I was i-wonyð to doo to þem for þe 28
same londe, that is to Say, of j. li. of pepur. In-to witnesse, &c⁹.

which
he had
held from
Oseney by
quit-rent of
1 lb. pepper.

About
1240.
Grant to
Oseney,
by James
le blond
of Fawler,
of a messu-
age and
lands,

[255.] KNOWE þoo that been nowe And to Bee pat [I],
Jamys lee blunde ffȝt William lee blunde of flaufloure², yafe,
Grauntid, toke, and, with this my charter coufermyð, for me 32
and myne heyres for Euer, to god and to þe church of Seynte
marie of Oseney and to þe chanon̄s þere seruyng god, all my
londe³ þe which I helde in the towne of Hokenortoñ, with

¹ 'Ricardi prepositi.'

² i. e. Fawler.

³ From the Cotton MS. Rev. H. Salter

points out that the amount was 2 yard-lands, and 12 acres.

a mese, and with all his pertinences and freedoms to þe same
 londe longyng, and all þat I in them had or myȝht haue: to be
 holde and to be had, to þe saide chanon^s, of me and myne
 4 heyres for Euer, in-to free and perpetuell almys, quietly
 and worschipfully and frely, paying þerof yerely to me and
 to myne heyres ij. marke of siluer at iiij. termys of the yere
 (þat is to say, at cristmasse, dñ. a marke; at Estur, dñ.-marke;
 8 At mydsomer, dñ.-marke; and at myȝghelmasse, dñ.-marke) for
 all seruice sauynȝ the Kynges seruice, þat is to say, allonly
 xij. d. when scuage renneth. And I Jamys and myne heyres þe
 saide londe with þe mese agaynst all pepull and of seculer
 12 seruice and of All Sutes exaccions and Demaundys schall aquite
 and Defende by the foresaide Seruice. And if perauenture the
 saide londe with þe pertinences to þe saide chanon^s we may not
 warrantize whee schall make to þeñ and Eschaunge to þe value
 16 by the wiue of lawfull men of owr oper londres where pay may
 seme beste to spede to thime. And [if] ffor defawte of waran-
 tizyng aquityng and Defendyng of me or of myne heyres þe saide
 chanon^s harmys or expensis renne ynne, wee schall satisfie
 20 þeñ, withoute dyfferryng and Difficlte, By the vywe of lawfull
 men. And that þis my yeuyng, &c^o.

to be held
by quit-
rent of
£1 6s. 8d.,

and to be
subject to
1s. for
scutage.

[Strong
warranty
clauses.]

[256.] To all cristen men to þe which þis present writyng
 schall come Jamys lee Blunde of ffauflore helth. To þe know-
 24 lege of all yowe I wille hit come me, for me and for myne heyres,
 at Candelmasse the yere of our lorde M^cCClv., [to¹ have
 quit-claimed the canons of Oseney for ever of two marks of
 silver] In the which þey were i-holde to me yerely by cause
 28 of ij. roddis² of londe with a mese þe which pay haue i-holde of
 me In Hokenorton, (þat³ is for to saye, quite to haue i-clamyd to
 þe chanon^s of Oseneye ffor Euer of ij. marke yerely); wherefore
 I wille yff that ony writyng obligatorie, of þoo ij. marke
 32 makyng mencion, in ony tyme maye bee ffounde, þat hit
 be broȝht forth and hit * to be i-had for nowȝht. In-to
 witnesse, &c^o.

125³,
Feb. 2.
Surrender
to Oseney,
by James
le Blund,

of the
quit-rent
reserved
in no. 255.

* leaf 56.

[257.] KNOWE þoo that bee nowe and to Bee that I, Henry
 36 Doylly, the lorde Kynges constable, yafe and Grauntid, and

About
1200.
Grant to

¹ Added from the Latin.

² Read 'yardlands': 'racione duarum
virgatarum'; see no. 255.

³ Brought in by the translator when he
found he had made the omission above
noted.

Oseney,
by Henry
Doyly II,
of leave to
shut up
a way.

with this present writyng confermyd, to the worschip of God
and of Seynte marie, to pabbot of Oseney and couent or chanon^s
of the same place, In Hokenortoⁿ licence to close a wey that was
bitwene my courte and þe courte of þe foresaide chanon^s for 4
the Emendyng of eyþer courte; And þe foresaide weye, ffor þe
Sowles of my aunceturs, In-to pure and perpetuell almes,
to þe Encresyng of þere courte to þe foresaide chanon^s yafe
ande Grauntid. In-to witesse¹, &c^o. 8

About
1270.
Grant by
Oseney,
to Henry
Dymock
and heirs,
of a messu-
age and
curtilage:
probably in
exchange
for no. 259.

[Warrant
against
Jews.]

[258.] To all cristenⁿ meⁿ to home this present writyng
scha^{ll} come, frere Willyam² By Goddis mercy Abbot of Oseneye
and of the same place couent helth. Knowe ye vs to haue
i-yeve and grauntid, and with this present writyng to haue 12
i-confermyd, to Henry Dymmoc, and to his heyres, a mese, with
A curtilage, that Willyam Kewy helde of vs In Hokenortoⁿ,
that is bitwene þe dwellyng of þe same Henry and þe Dwellyng
of Raph clerke: to be holde and to be had, to þe foresaide 16
Henry and to his heyres, of vs and ou^r successoures, firely and
quietly fro all seculerⁿ seruice and Demaunde. And we and
ou^r successoures þe saide mese with þe curtilage to þe foresaide
Henry and to his heyres agaynste all cristenⁿ meⁿ and Juys 20
scha^{ll} warantize aquite and defende for Euer, And pat þis ou^r
yevyng, &c^o.

About
1270.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Henry
Dymock,
of a messu-
age and
curtilage,
probably in
exchange
for no. 258.

[259.] KNOWE þoo pat been nowe and to Bee that I, Henry
Dymmoc, yafe, grauntid, and with this my present charter con- 24
fermyd, to God and to þe church of Seynte marie of Oseney
and to William Abbot and to þe chanon^s seruyng god pere,
A mese, with A curtilage, and oper pertinences, þe which I helde
and had of þe yifte of Roger ffigt Alyne In Hokenortoⁿ, pat 28
is to say, they been Euyⁿ agaynste þe Shepehouse of the same
chanon^s Bitwene the Kynges hye weye and the mese þe which
William Kewy helde of William of colunce: to be holde and to
be had, to þe foresaide church ande chanon^s, of me and of myne 32
heyres [or] of myne assynes, In-to pure and perpetuell almys.
And I, Henry, and myne heyres or myne assynes, þe saide
mese, with þe Curtilage, and oper pertinences, to þe foresaide

¹ William of Hereville is one.

² William Sutton, abbot 1268-84.

church Abbot and Conent, agaynste all cristen men and Juys [Warranty
schaff warantize, aquite, and Defende, as pure and perpetuell against
almys. In-to wisesse, &c^o. Jews.]

- 4 [260.] Know all men that I, Hugh of plesettis, Knyght, About
Sawe þe charter þat Henry dymmoc made to God And to þe 1270.
church of Seynte marie of Oseneye And to þe chaⁿon^s þere Confirma-
seruyng God, In-to þese wordys 'Sciant praesentes & futuri,' &c^o. * leaf 56,
8 vt supra. And I, Hugh, þe foresaide yevyng hauyng rate and back.
Goodely¹, hit with my seale printyng to þe foresaide chanons, tion to
In-to pure and perpetuell almys, for me and myne heyres or Oseney,
myne assynes, graunte and conferme. These witnessis, &c^o. by Hugh
of Plessets,
as feudal
superior,
of no. 259.

[NOTE.—Henry Doyly II, died 1232, was the last male of the family. His sister and heir, Margery, had issue Thomas, earl of Warwick (no. 228), and Margaret, who became heir to her brother. This Margaret became second wife (1247) of Henry III's favourite, John of Plessets, who obtained in 1253 a grant of the barony of Hooknorton, which had been resumed by the crown. In this he was succeeded in 1263 by Hugh, his son by his first wife, who died 1291. For this Hugh's son Hugh, see no. 93.]

[261.] A recorde of þe banke² of þe Juys of london 1285, May.
for the londe of William lee Blunde of Hokenorton whoos rollyng Inne schaff be ffounde In the
feste of the holy trinite In the yere of þe reyne of
Kyng Edwarde xiiij.

- 12 JOYE³ the which was þe wiffe [of] diey de Burforde, by his⁴ Claim
attorney, made to come thabbot of Oseney, holdyng a parte against
of londys þe which were of William lee Blunde, & axith of hym Oseney, by
ij. marke of catalte and⁵ wynnynges þerof i-come afore þe a Jewess of
16 statute of the Kyng, the which⁶ hee oweth to hym⁷ by þe London for
occasion of the foresaide londes þe which hee holdeth þe which £1 6s. 8d.,
were of þe foresaide William (and⁸ diey) by a charter of and interest
1275), being

¹ 'ratam et gratam habens.'

² 'banke' is 'bench,' i. e. the record is of the court of law, in a suit raised by Jews. The indebtedness of the Blund family is shown in a deed quoted by Rev. H. Salter from the Cotton MS., in which James le Blund, making surrender as in no. 256, acknowledges payment of £17 6s. 8d. 'ad urgentissimam necessitatem,' a

phrase which in Godstow book generally implies debt in the Jewry.

³ 'Joya.'

⁴ Read 'her.'

⁵ 'et lucrum inde emersum.'

⁶ scil. 'marcas.'

⁷ to her.

⁸ Omit 'and diey,' brought in out of place.

half of a mortgage over lands of William le Blund now held by Oseney. Oseney maintained that at the time of making of the mortgage the lands belonged to Oseney, and that William le Blund had no power to mortgage them. Inquiry was ordered by the sheriff, but did not take place. Inquiry was again ordered by Robert of Lodeham, to whom the jury returned that Oseney had been feoffed of the lands in question for more than 40 years, and therefore before the mortgage (whose date was 1275, Aug. 27).

iiij. markes vndur þe names of þe foresaide William and diey whereof¹ þe oper partie in the which of the charter of london as he saith.

The foresaide Abbot By his attorney comyth and Saith that 4 hit is not his dede and axith day to þengyng² afore, and hath in-to þe viij. daye off seynte migghel, þ. To³ the which daye, þe fforesaide Abbot by his attorney cometh and Saieth that he is not i-holde of þe saide dette to answeze, in-asmoch as hee 8 whas i-ffeyd of the londys and tenementes the which he holdeth þe which [were] of þe foresaide William or⁴ þe fforesaide William to⁵ the foresaide Juye by his charter in the saide dette bounde hym-selfe: and of that he puttith hym-selfe vppoð the 12 cuntre. And the fforesaide⁶ Juee by heñ attorney also. And hit was i-commaundid to the schreve þat he schulde make come coram, þ. In the morowe of Seynte martyne xij.⁷, þ. By the which, þ. qui nullam, þ. at þe returne quibus daye and yere to þe 16 which daye þe Inquisicion come not, noþer the schreve returned not⁸. And hit was i-commaundid⁹, as in the oper tyme, ffo þe daye of Seynt Hillarie In-to xv. daies; as¹⁰ þe fforesaide Abbot and Jues¹¹, by there attorneys, haue þe same daye, but¹² 20 Robert lodeham interim, þ. withinne¹³ þe which daye, afore the same Robert of lodeham, whas i-take þe Inquisicion of þe londys and tenementes aforesaide, by þe othe of Reynalde Waltham, Nicoll off Gardyð, and oper, as it is i-schewed amonge þe 24 Inquisicions of the terme off Seynte Hillarie returnyd, þe which sayen that þe foresaide Abbot whas i-ffeyd of þe londys and tenementes aforesaide xl. yere and more; And ffor-asmuch as it is opyð by the Date of þe charter of iiij. markes In the which 28 þe foresaide William to þe saide Jue whas i-holde, of þe which charter actum is 'the tuesdaye nexte after þe ffest of Seynte Bartholomew in the yere of the regni regis Edwarde iijo.', That þe fforesaide Abbot whas i-ffeyd of the londys and tenementes 32 abovesaide or⁴ þe saide William lee blunde In the saide dette

¹ Read 'whereof the other part is in the record-office of deeds at London, as it is alleged:' 'unde altera pars est in arch[ivis] cir[c]ographorum Lond[inii], ut dicitur.'

² i. e. 'thinking,' 'diem premeditandi.'

³ 'ad quem diem.'

⁴ 'Or' = before: 'antequam.'

⁵ 'dicto Iudeo.'

⁶ 'predicta Iudea.'

⁷ [probos homines] etc.

⁸ Read 'the writ'; 'breve.'

⁹ i. e. to the sheriff, i. e. to hold inquiry.

¹⁰ For 'as,' read 'and.'

¹¹ Jewess: 'Iudea.'

¹² unless: 'nisi.'

¹³ 'Infra': i. e. before.

to the *saide Juye bounde hym-selfe, hit is i-consederyd that þe foresaide N.¹ of the saide dette is quite And that þe foresaide Juys² by cause of þe foresaide londys of þe foresaide Abbot 4 nopyng takith, And the same Jues ffor þe false clayme In mercy.

* leaf 57.
The Jewess was therefore non-suited and fined.

[262.] Assise i-take at Henele³ afore John Inge and afore John Treuaignon, Justices of oure lorde Kynge, at þe assisis in the Shire of Oxonford to be take assyned þe moneday In the ffeest of Seynte Margarete Virgyn In the yere of regni regis Edwarde the iiijth fro the conqueste þe sexte.

1332,
July 20.

ASSISE come to knowlege if John of Chelleworth, vicaire of þe church of Hokenorton; John, lee vicarsman of Hokenorton; 8 William peytour of Hokenorton; Adam bouer⁴ of Shipton, chapeleyne; and molde, þe which was þe wiffe of John Atte bourne of Hokenorton, vnyrghtfully, þe dissesynet Henry atte bourne of Hokenorton of his free tenement In Hokenorton 12 postquam, &c.⁵ And where-of hit is i-playned that þe disseuyd⁵ hym of j. mose, j. yerde of londe, And of iiij. Acres of mede, with the pertinences, &c.⁵

Suit by Henry atte Bourne, against five residents in Hooknorton, to obtain possession of a messuage, a yardland, and 4 acres of meadow.

And John of Chelleworth and other come not: And þe ffore- 16 saide John of Chelleworth whas i-tachid By John atehulle and Adam at Gate; And þe foresaide John, vicaresman, whas i-tachid By adam atte Gate and John attehull; And þe foresaide William whas attachid By John atehulle and adam at Gate; 20 And þe fforesaide adam whas attachid By adam atte Gate And John Atehulle; And þe fforesaide mawde whas attachid By John attehull and adam at Gate. perfore þe been in merciment & passise is i-take agaynste þem by defawte.

Defendants, summoned to answer,

24 Jurriors sayen vpon þere othe pat þe foresaide John vicarsman of Hokenorton, William, and mawde, vnyrghtfully, &c.⁵ dissesyned þe foresaide Henry of þe foresaide tenement with þe pertinences, and pat opers In the Brefe i-namyd where not atte 28 þe foresaide dissesynng to be doo. Therefore hit is i-consideryd

did not appear. The jury found a verdict against three of the defenders, and Henry atte Bourne obtained the property

¹ Possibly 'nomen,' a legal formula. Roger de Coventre was abbot 1284-96. In the Latin it is 'abbas.'

² 'Iudea.'

³ Henley.

⁴ 'le Bouere.'

⁵ sic, for 'disseised.'

and 6s. 8d. damages, but was mulcted for his false claim against two of the defenders.

that þe foresaide Henry schulde reteyne¹ þerof his sesynnyng By the Sigȝht of þe recognitourse², and hys harmys (þe which been taxid by the same at dñ. marke). And þe foresaide John vicaresmañ of Hokenortoñ, William, and moode, In mercement⁴ by³ dissesynnyng, ð. And also the foresaide Henry In mercement ffor þe ffalse clayme ayenst þeñ In the Brefe, ð.

[XXXV. WIGGINTON.]

1283,
May 4.
Suit by
Oseney,

[263.] Actes In the prebendañ church of Buckedeñ, þe twysday nexte after þe ffest of þe Inuencion of the holy crosse, 8 In the yere of oure lorde M^o CC lxxxiiij., afore vs olyuere⁴ By the mercy of God Bisshop of lincoln, by ordinarie auctorite knowyng, in plee þe which was bitwene religiouse meñ Abbot and Couent of Oseneye (the church of Seynte George with-yñ the castell of 12 oxonforde In-to þere owne vses opteynyng), actorres, by frere Robert i-callid Maynarde, þere chanoñ, procuratour of the same actors i-ordeyned, comperyng, of þe oone partie, and Master Richard Malyngtoñ, persoñ of *þe church of Wigyntoñ, guilty, 16 personally comperyng, of þe oper partie. I-purposid⁵ (that is to Say) In Juggement agaynste þe saide persoñ By the foresaide procuratour þat when þe saide siris, for cause (of þeñ-selfe⁶) of þe saide church of Seynte George, had be In possession, 20 or⁷ as, by⁸ ryȝht, of takyng v. ð. euery yere, In the ffest of Seynte Cuthbert, of þe personys of þe saide church of Wigyntoñ, þe which þere for þe tyme had be, at Oseney to Be payed, In the name of ij. parties of tithe for all thyng that 24 is i-wonyd⁹ to be i-tithid of the Demayne of Wygyntoñ comyng forth, to þe saide church of Seynte George, and longyng⁹ lawfully to þe saide religiouse meñ, and þe Same v. ð. summot-longe¹⁰ þey hauc i-take hit and lawfully haue i-had hit In 28

to compel
the rector
of Wigginton

* leaf 57,
back.

to pay 5s.
yearly on
March 20,

as tithe-
rent-charge
due to
St. George's
church,

¹ 'recuperet.'

² 'Recognitors' was a name for 'the Jury empanelled upon an assise.' (Dr. John Cowell).

³ Read 'for the.'

⁴ Oliver Sutton, bishop 1280-99. This deed is one in which the translator appears at his worst.

⁵ 'Proposito, videlicet.'

⁶ A misrendering; 'sui' has been taken

from its proper noun 'sir' and put into the next clause. Read 'the said his lords, by reason of the said church of St. George.'

⁷ 'vel quasi': i. e. if not in actual, then in practical possession.

⁸ 'iure' goes with 'percipiendi,' 'of taking by right.'

⁹ 'canonice spectantium': should come in, at end of the clause, after 'men.'

¹⁰ 'aliquamdiu.'

possession, or¹ as: nowe þe saide person þe foresaide v. ð. yerely withdrawyng, [and] theme (agayne²) for to pay ynne agayne-sayng, and þe Same tithis occupyng [and] the myndyd³ 4 religiouse men þat þey myȝht not ij. parties of þe tithes⁴ aforenotyd lawfully take in lettyng and trowyng⁵, thoo his lordys of þe v. ð. yerely in⁶ the (Such⁶ maner of spoylyng) fornamyd possession, or¹ as, he⁷ agaynste ryȝht hath i-spoilyd, 8 or¹ as, operellys⁸ such maner of spoylynges to be [do] hee commaundyd, or hit i-doo in his name had it rate, in-to his same lordys preiudice grete⁹ and grefe. Wherefore þe saide procuratour axid ffor his fforesaide lordis and hym-selfe to 12 be restoryd and to be browȝht to þe state and possession to take¹⁰, In the Saide terme, þe foresaide v. ð. yerely to Oseney, as hit is dew, of þe foresaide persons of þe saide church of Wygynton In to be¹¹, and þe same person of þe church of 16 Wygynton aforesaide to þe foresaide v. ð. yerely, at Oseney (as hit is i-put afore), here-after to be i-payd, sentencially by vs to be condempnyd, and i-condempnyd to be i-compellyd to the paying, and ryȝht¹² to hys lordys and to hym In aft 20 thynges and axinges [to¹³ be done]. [The¹⁴ aforesaid parson having heard and fully understood the statement and demand] aforesaide, afore vs Judicially he knowlegyd playne¹⁵ poo¹⁶ thynges i-tolde, as þey were i-tolde, to be true, And perfore 24 þe axinges¹⁷, as þey were i-axid, to ofte to bee doo. Wherefore we, þe same persones confession and oper techynges lawfulte¹⁸ folowyng, the foresaide religiouse men, and þere procuratour aforesaide In there name, sentencially restore and reduce to þe 28 state and possession to take þe Saide v. ð. of þe personys of þe saide church of Wygynton, at oseney, In the ffest of Seynte Cutbert yerely hereafter, to be i-payde, And the myndyd person

long paid
but now
withheld.

Verdict in
favour of
Oseney.

¹ 'vel quasi.'

² Omit 'agayne,' 'eosque solvere contradicendo.'

³ 'Wygynton' in margin.

⁴ Read 'trow[bl]ing': 'et perturbando.'

⁵ Read 'of'; Latin: '... solidorum ... de possessione ... spoliavit.' The English is mirk-dark through following the Latin order.

⁶ Omit the bracketed words, brought in in error.

⁷ i. e. the parson.

⁸ Latin 'seu.'

⁹ 'non modicum.'

¹⁰ 'possessionem percipendi.'

¹¹ 'in futurum.'

¹² 'iustitiam.'

¹³ 'exhiberi.' The whole sentence depends on 'axid' above.

¹⁴ Added from the Latin.

¹⁵ openly: 'de plano.'

¹⁶ 'narrata.'

¹⁷ 'petita.'

¹⁸ 'alia documenta legitima.'

of the foresaide church of Wygynton þe which for þe tyme [shall be] to pay In the tyme to come the fforesaide v. 3. yerely at Oseney, as hit Is i-put afore, by Sentence of commaundyng we condempne, of þis ouȝr sentence [the execution], to ouȝr 4 officere and to our Archedecun of oxonforde or to his officiall or to euerich of them, al so ofte as cavse axith, committynge. þe Date and Acte, þe daye, yere, and place, aforenotyd.

127½,
March 16.
* leaf 58.
Suit by
Oseney,

to compel
the rector
of Wigginton

[264.] Acres in Seynte Petur church In the Est of Oxon- 8
forde, þe Saturdaye *nexte affore þe ffeſte of Seynte Cutberthe
Bysshop, In the yere of ouȝr lord Mo[CC]lxxj., afore Master
Richard Mepham, Archedecun of oxonforde, by Jurisdiccio[n]
ordinarie knowyng, In plee þe which was bitwixst religiouse 12
me[n] Abbot and Couent of Oseney, actors, by master Geffray
Brom, clerke, þere procuratour lawfully i-sett, comperynge
of þe oone partie, and Siȝr Symonde ffitz Symonde, person
of the church of Wygynton, gilty, by John of Sutton his 16
procuratour, sufficient hauyng commaundement, also comperynge,
of the oper; that is to say, when that hit was i-knowe to vs 1
þe saide siȝr Symonde at þe same daye and place lawfully and
peremptorye to haue be callyd, parties 2 bothe procuratours and 20
also the cople of the certificatorie of ouȝr decre þey opteynyd:
and, of the parte of the saide religiouse me[n] whas i-purposid
A libelle vndur this forme:

to pay 5s.
tithe-rent-
charge on
March 20,
due to
St. George's
church,
now with-
held,

'Afore yow, lorde Jugge, seyn and purposyn pabbot and 24
couent of Oseney agaynste Symonde ffitz Symonde, person
of the church of Wygynton 3, þat, sith fro the tyme of þe which is
no mynde þey were in possession, or 4 as, in 5 þe name of
takyng of ij. parties of the tithe of þe Demayne of Wigynton 28
v. 3. euery yere, in the ffeſt of Seynte cutberth, at Oseney, of the
personys of þe saide church of Wigynton the 6 had bee for
þe tyme, And þe same v. 3. yerely lawfully had possessid; or 4 as:
Nowe þe saide person syȝr Symonde v. 3. yerely abovesaide with- 32
drawyng, of 7 þe same v. 3. yerely in possession afore-namyd; or 4

¹ i. e. that . . . Simon . . . had been summoned.

² 'partes tam procuratorii quam certificatorii copiam ex decreto nostro obtinuerunt.'

³ Name noted in the margin.

⁴ 'vel quasi.'

⁵ Mis-rendered: read 'of takings (in the

name of two parts . . .) v. s.'

⁶ Read 'the [which].'⁷ Otherwise, article for relative: 'qui ibidem pro tempore fuerant.'

⁷ i. e. has spoiled of the possession of the v. s.

as, hath i-spoilyd; and þe same to þe[m] to pay agayne-saithe¹,
 vnryzghtfully: Wherefore þey axe hem-selfe to be i-browzght
 ayene and to be restoryd to the state and possession to take þe
 4 saide v. 3. yerely, and þe same sir Symonde, person of the
 church of Wigynto[n] aforesaide, and þe personys of þe church
 the which been for the tyme, to þe v. 3. yerely, at Oseney,
 yerely In the ffest of Seynte Cutbert, hereafter to be payde
 8 to þe[m], to be condempned. Þey axe þe arrerages and expenses
 i-made yn þe stryffe, makyng² a protestacion in them too
 be doo.' with
 arrears and
 damages.

And in³ the same libelle and the procutour⁴ of þe same
 12 symonde obteynynd; And sumwhat a while⁵ a deliberacion
 (hereafter⁶) i-had; þe same procutour of the entent of þe saide
 religiouse me[n] knowlegyd in this maner: 'I, John of Sutton,
 procutour of Symonde ffirst symonde, person of þe church of
 16 Wygynto[n], in the name of my lorde, of certeyne knowyng;
 knowlegþ poo thynges i-toolde In the libelle of pabbot and
 couent of Oseney aforenamyd; as þey been i-tolde, to be true,
 and perfore þe pynges i-axid; as þey ben i-axid; to ofte to
 20 be doo.'

Wherefore we, *Richard* of Mepham, Archedecun of oxonforde,
 þe⁷ merites of þe plee i-herde and i-vndurstande, vppon v. 3.
 yerely in the libell afore-notid i-comprehendyd; i-mouyd bituene
 24 thabbot and couent of Oseney, actors, of þe oone partie, and þe
 saide Sir Symonde, guilty, of þe oþer, and of his procuratour
 confессион and oþer pynges þe saide plee towchyng with diligence
 rehersed; þat pentent of þe saide Abbot and Couent of Oseney
 28 lawfully i-fundyd or groundyd we haue i-founde and preuyd;
 þe same Abbot and couent, & the saide þeyre procuratour in
 there name, by this owr sentence diffinitife, re*duce and restore
 to þe state and possession to take þe saide v. 3. yerely; and
 32 þe [said] symonde, person of þe church of Wigynto[n] aforesaide,
 and personys þe which þere for þe tyme shall be, to þe foresaide

Verdict in
 favour of
 Oseney,
 * leaf 58,
 back.

¹ 'contradicit.'

² i. e. reserving power to claim additional expenses, if incurred: 'de faciendis protestando.'

³ Mis-rendered: read 'And in the same way, the case, and the letter of procuratorship, of Simon, being produced.'

⁴ 'procuratorio' (abl. absol.).

⁵ 'aliquamdiu.'

⁶ Omit.

⁷ The English needs to be re-arranged to bring together the participles and their nouns: heard and understood the merits—of the plea moved—upon 5 shillings contained—in the forenoted libel.

who with-
drew claim
for arrears
and
damages.

Verdict
accepted by
defendant.

v. ð. yerely, at Oseneye, yerely in the feste of saynte Cutberth
bissshop, hereafter to be paide to þe same religiouse meñ,
we condempe, þat same sir Symonde, and þe saide John his
procuratour, fro¹ the impeticion of foresaide religiouse meñ⁴
procuratorye vppon þe arrerages and expenses assolyng. Þe
which ouȝt sentence þe saide John, of² þe saide procuratour
sir Symonde, in the name of his lorde, v. ð., of³ þe plee aboue
expressid, in ouȝt presence, nyȝthe⁴ of þe religiouse meñ⁸
procuratour aforesaide, in þere name to be payde, acceptid
hit⁵.

127^q,
March 19.
Letter of
the rector
of Wigginton,
appointing a
procurator
to
represent
him in the
suit,
as in
no. 264.

[265.] To the worschippfull mañ and dyscrete Syre, Arche-
decun of Oxonforde, hys deuote clerke, Symonde ffyzt Symonde, 12
person of þe church of Wygyn-ton, helth in ouȝt lorde. Þe vice
of collusion i-repreued⁶, napeles of þe Arrerages⁷ fyrst not to be
axyd (yf þere bee oony) fülle surete Is i-maade⁸, In the plee þat
ys bytwene þe lordys Abbot and Couent of Oseney, of þe oone 16
partie, and me, of þe other, vppon a yerely rent of v. ð. in the
name of ij. parties of tithys comyng forth of þe demayne of
Wygyn-ton, my beloued John of Sutton, þe brynger of þys
presentes, to knowlege expressely me to haue i-yeve, to þe 20
Abbot and couent, v. ð. yerely, in the name of þe tithis comyng
forth of ij. partyes of þe Demayne of Wygyn-ton, my procuratour
[I] ordayne, rate⁹ to haue what-soo-Euer thyng by hym In the
sayde plee, after¹⁰ þat that hath be sayde afore vs, hit¹¹ was 24
i-actyd; for him Also I¹² promitte i-Juggyd to be i-payde,
þe same to þe parte Agaynste¹³ signyfying. I-yeve at Tew,
þe þursday after þe ffest of Seynte gregory pope, In the yere of
ouȝt lorde a[nno] M̃ CC lxx.

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¹ 'ab impetitione predictorum religiosorum procuratoris.'

² Read 'procuratour of þe saide sir Symonde.'

³ 'ex causa superius expressa.'

⁴ 'cominus dictorum religiosorum procuratore antedicto.'

⁵ Even in the Latin the grammatical structure is impossible, and we have to be contented with the general sense.

⁶ i. e. although the terms of the verdict to be given have been settled by compromise between the parties, the agreement is

an honest, not a collusive, one.

⁷ 'Wygyn-ton' in the margin.

⁸ In Latin is in the ablative absolute = 'With the proviso that arrears are not to be asked, I name my proctor to acknowledge my liability for 5s. yearly.'

⁹ 'ratum habiturus.'

¹⁰ 'secundum quod dictum est coram nobis.'

¹¹ 'hit' takes up 'thyng,' and is superfluous.

¹² 'iudicatum solvi promitto.'

¹³ 'parti advers[a]e.'

[XXXVI.] SWEREFORDE.

[266.] HIT is to be remembryd that Syre Reynolde ffirst
 petur drowe *Richard* of Appulstre Abbot of Oseney in-to plee,
 axyng of hym and of his men of *Hokenorton* sute to his mylle
 4 of *Hokenorton* pat ys by swereford. To þe which þe saide Abbot
 Answeryd that noþer he noþer hys men oony sute oftyd to þat
 myll. In-somoch that A quiteclayme pay had of þat maner
 of sute afore þe sayde Reynolde whas y-fleffyð of þe sayde
 8 Mylle; and that hee preuyd by A charter þe which made mencion
 of Sibille þe ffirst wyfe of * Henry Doylly, þe which charter Is
 in the title 'How þe church of saynte George was i-yeve to þe
 chanon of Oseney.' And of þat he put hym-selfe vpon
 12 Assise. Robert Bradenston and raph Dichelle¹ and oþer that
 were in the Assise, makyng knowlege, sayde þat þe sayde Abbot
 and hys men been quite of þe sute of þe sayde Mylle.

þe[s] pynges weer i-do at Oxonforde In þe laste Jorney of
 16 Gylbert Preston and of hys felawes In the yere of þe raynyng
 of Kyng Henry þe son of Kyng John.

[267.] AND hit is to be knowe that Reynolde impletyd
 þe sayde Abbot of þe sayde sute by A-noþer brefe In the yere
 20 of þe Reyne of Kyng Henry þe soone of Kyng John xliij. And
 þis recorde begynneth, In the Rolle of þe banke or beuche,
 'Philipp basset,' &c.² Where pabbot Answeryd þat þe sayde
 reynolde had no mylle in Swereford whereof þe same raynolde
 24 axyd to A better brefe to perquired.

[268.] Pabbot ha[th] þe Aduowrie of þe church of Swereforde,
 with þe chapel of sefewell, of þe yiste of John Gray, Bysshop
 of Norwych, and Graunte of Henry doylly, as hit is opyn
 28 by the charters vndurwrite.

[269.] To all cristen men thys present charter to see Henry
 doylly helth. Knowe ye me to haue y-yefe, and to haue
 i-grauntyd, and with thys my charter to haue i-confermyd,
 32 to lorde John Gray, bysshoppe of Norewych, all my woode
 of Cudelyngton þe which is i-callyd Goggeswoode², withoute
 oony reteynyng, and þe church of Swereforde³, with þe Chapel
 of Sefewell³, with alle þere pertinences, to be assynyd and

About
1258.

Suit raised
against
Oseney,
by Regi-
nald son of
Peter, lord
of Swerford
manor,
to compel
Oseney
tenants at
* leaf 59.

Hook-
norton to
do suit to
his mill,
decided (by
virtue of
no. 40) in
favour of
Oseney.

1259.

Another
suit against
Oseney, by
Reginald
son of
Peter, to
same effect
as in 266 :
see no. 272.

Reference
to nos. 270,
271.

About
1210.

Grant to
bishop
John Grey,
by Henry
Doyly II,
of Cogges-
wood, and
of Swerford
church and

¹ Ditchley.

² Name noted in the margin. 'Kogges-

wude' in the Latin.

³ Name noted in the margin.

Seuwell chapel, with a view to founding a monastery.

to i-yeve to þe religiouse howse þe which he hath i-wyllyd to founde, In-to ffre pure and perpetueſt almys; And yf by case¹ þe same noo religiouse howse founde, lete hynd assyne hit to whoome he wyſſe. And I and myne heyres shaſt warantize 4 þem to þe same Bysshop, and to Euery mañ þat he wyſſe assyne þem, agaynste aſt mortall meñ: Þese witnysses.

About 1217. Conveyance to Oseney, by bishop John Grey's executors, of Coggeswood, &c. (as in no. 269).

* leaf 59, back.

[270.] To aſt þe soonys of owre hooly modur þe church to þe which þese present letters shaſt come, Walter by the 8 grace of god Archiebiſſhope of yorke, of Ingland A primate, and master Ranulph of wareham, official of Norwich, and master R., Archedecun of yippeke², helth in owr lorde. Knowe ye aſt John Gray, of goode mynde, sometye bysshope of Norwich, a woode 12 that some tyme was callyd Coggeswode to the towne of Cudlyngton perteynyng and the church of Swereforde with the chapel of Seuewell and there pertinences, *the which the sayde Bysshop of the yifte of Syr Henry Doylly gate, to the church of 16 Saynte marye of Oseneye and to the chanons pere seruyng god, for the helth of his sowle, in his laste wyſſe lefte. Nowe we in the testament of the foresaide Bysshop executours have be i-yefe, to the saide chanons the foresaide woode and the saide 20 church with the chapel and pertinences after that the office of owr execucion axith we have assynyd. But, last that the trowth of this thyng by succedyng of tyme myzght be callyd in-to dowte, we þe assynyg of the foresaide thynges to the 24 foresaide chanons of vs i-made haue i-turnyd in-to scripture, the which we thougth worthy with the puttyng to of owr seals to strenghte.

[No. 107 is a duplicate.]

About 1217. Confirmation to Oseney, by Henry Doyly II, as feudal superior, of no. 270.

[271.] To aſt þe chyl dren of owr holy modur the church to 28 the which thys present wrytyng shaſt come Henry Doylly, owr lorde the Kynges constable, helth. Knowe ye aſt John Gray, sometye Bysshop of Norewich, the church of Swereforde, with þe chapel of Seuewell, and the pertinences, the which he 32 Gate of owr yifte, as owr charter the which perof he had witnesseth, to the church of Saynte marye of Oseneye, and to the chanons there seruyng god, in his laste wille to haue i-lefte. And we, þat that of the foresaide Bysshope vppon 36

¹ 'si forte.'

² Perhaps Robert de Tywe, archdeacon of Suffolk (gippeswic = Ipswich)

pe foresayde church with the *pertinencis* whas i-doo hauyng¹
 rate and kyndely or plesyd, the same church, with his *per-*
tinences, to be had to the foresayde chanons haue i-Grauntyd
 4 and conferme. And that this owre graunte rate And ferme
 abyde foreuer, hit with this present writyng and owre seale
 suryng make stronge. The witnessys, *℞*.

[No. 108 is a
 duplicate.]

[272.] Hit is to be mynded that, whenne in the yere of 1259,
 8 grace A[*nno*] Mⁱ CC lix., in the morne of saynte clement,
 at Henrade², bitwene lordys Abbot and Couent of Oseney,
 of the oone party, and Syr Raynolde flyzt petur, of the other
 partye, vppoñ summe despites or probrys, harmys, violences,
 12 and oper moony wronges, of men of bothe partie to euery partye
 euerych agaynste other i-doo, bitwene the foresaide parties
 in forme of pece to be had a lytuiff while hit was i-tretyd. At
 the laste, in forme vndurwrite, all playntys and stryfs, vppoñ
 16 the foresayde despites, harmys, violences, and wronges, bitwene
 the foresaide parties vnto the forenamyd daye i-mevyd, for euer
 frendely ben i-cesyd or sospite (but the question, in the courte
 of owre lord Kyng hangyng, vppoñ the sute of his myllys
 20 of Sybforde³, the which playnly the foresayde Syr Raynolde
 exceptid froo the afore writyng) that is to say, that the foresaide
 Abbot and couent to the foresayde Raynolde, for goode pece,
 And⁴ as A sure to hym in his of thynges to be doo and as
 24 patrone and de*fender haue refute, all there accions vnto the
 fornamyd day, agaynste hym or peme⁵ i-meuely⁶, playnly
 haue relesyd to be sayde same, Syr⁷ Raynolde to p^e foresaide
 Abbot and couent all accions agaynste hem, to⁸ hem acordyng
 28 (owttake the playnyng of the foresaide myllys), for fauour
 of religion and pe instaunce of the prayours of Syr philippe
 (fforde⁹ bothe more and lasse) Basset, (all¹⁰) remittynge, and

Nov. 30.
 Agreement
 between
 Oseney,
 and Regi-
 nald son
 of Peter,

on all
 points in
 dispute be-
 tween them
 on Nov. 24
 (except as
 to suit of
 his mills
 which is to
 be tried in
 the king's

* leaf 60.
 court: see
 no. 267),
 Sir Regi-
 nald agree-
 ing to allow
 Oseney to
 collect
 its tithes in

¹ 'ratum habentes et gratum.'

² Hendred, in Berkshire.

³ Name noted in the margin. So also in the Christ Church MS. In the original deed (Bodl. Oseney Charter 418) it is Swereford

⁴ An excellent instance of verbal translation issuing in utter nonsense: 'et ut securum ad eum de cetero in agendis suis tanquam patronum et defensorem habeant refugium,' i.e. And that they may have safe recourse to him, in future, in their busi-

ness, as (if he were) their patron and defender.

⁵ i.e. his men.

⁶ Read 'i-meved': 'motas.'

⁷ Ablative absolute: 'domino Reginaldo . . . totaliter remittente.'

⁸ 'sibi competentes' = which were in his power.

⁹ Omit the bracketed words inserted out of place from below.

¹⁰ Omit 'all.'

Swereford,

provided
he is
caused no
expense,
Oseney
granting
Sir Regi-
nald and
his family
commemo-
ration in
the con-
ventual
prayers.

to the same to gader there tithis at Swereford¹ bothe more
and lasse and frely to bere a-waye whider pay witten, napelese in
curteys wyse, withoute harme and greuance of the saide Syr
Raynolde and of his men leve grauntyng: of the which cause⁴
the saide Abbot and couent þe same Syr Raynolde and Aliȝ his
wyfe and his free² soonys, in spirituall benefettis (the which
ben i-doo in Oseney), for euer thay haue admitted parteners:
and³ bothe parties ofte in Jugement in the which that was⁸
A dooer to cese, and playnly to procure that the oþer partie be
i-kepid harmeles. Wherefore, In-to witnesse of the foresaide,
to this wrytyng, in-to A maner of A charter twyys partid,
euerych to oþer the parties haue i-put there sealys. Þe Date,¹²
in saynte Andrews day, In the yere afore i-namyd.

[XXXVII.] BEREFORDE.

Reference
to no. 21.

[273.] THABBOT hath in Bereforde of the yifte of Doyl-
liuorum and confirmacion of bysshopys and of the chapiter
of lincoln, ij. parties of all tithis of the Demayne of Syr¹⁶
Richard of seyton and of Raph Dyue and of Gilbert clerke and
of Symond Smyth⁴ the which holde dȝ. a yerde londe of the
Demayne, and of A crofte of Aliȝaundur Smyth⁴: and hit is to
be knowe þat thabbot of Oseneye taketh all the tithe holy²⁰
of ix. acris i-chose of all the Demayne of Richard Seyt

About
1260.
Suit by
Oseney,

[274.] KNOWE all men to the which this present wrytyng
schall come that where A strife was i-meyd, by the popys
auctorite, afore the lordys Deene and chaunceler of Sarisbury,²⁴
bitwene pabbot and couent of Oseneye, of the oone partie, and
Hugh person⁵ of Bereforde, of the oþer, vppoñ ij. parties
of smale tithis comyng forth of the Demayne of Syr Roger
Verduñ of Bereford⁶, of þe which tithis the saide chanon²⁸
by the same Hugh saide them-selfe i-spoilyd, At þe laste,
the stryfe, of the consent of bothe parties, vndur this forme
restid: þat is to say, the saide Hugh, as to the foresaide tithis,

to compel
the rector
of Barford

to allow
Oseney
⅓rds of the

¹ Name noted in the margin. Commencing at the middle of this name, five words have been taken out of place and inserted above.

² 'et liberos suos.'

³ 'Debet autem utraque pars in foro, in

quo fuit actrix, supersedere.'

⁴ 'fabri.'

⁵ 'rectorem,' in the Latin, is always Englished 'parson' in this book.

⁶ Name noted in the margin.

of the saide chanons the ryȝht fully knowlegid-agayne¹, and
 poo tithis ffrely and quietly to take to theñ he grauntid, and hee
 schaff not let hem but that thaye mowe take the saide tithis,
 4 and þese hee byhete² by goode feyth; And the sayde chanonē,
 to the same Hugh, arrerages of the foresaide tithis, and expenses
 in the stryfe i-made, relesyd: And, of the consente of the
 parties, [there³ was reserved jurisdiction to the judges to
 8 compel the parties] to the kepyng of the saide composicion.
 And in-to witnesse of this thyng, to this *composicion were
 i-hanged the synes of the Jugges, also with the parties.

tithe of the
 demesne-
 land.
 Verdict for
 Oseney,
 who did
 not press
 for arrears
 and costs.

* leaf 60,
 back.

[275.] KNOW thoo þat ben now and to be that I, Anneys
 12 of chayney, in my pure widowhoode, yafe and graunted, and
 with this my present charter confermed, to god and to the
 church of saynte marie of Oseneye and to the chanons þere
 seruyng god, In-to ffree pure and perpetueñ almes, for the helth
 16 of the sowle of Symonde maydewell (sometyme my husbnde)
 and for the helth of my sowle and of my ffadur and of my
 modur and of my aunceturs and of my successours, all that
 curtilage In bereforde⁴ that is i-callyd Westbecten⁵, to make
 20 A howse to the tithis to be layde and to howses to be made the
 which, to whoome-so-euer they wille, they maye sett or lette,
 and ij. acrys of londe in the feldes of Bereforde, that is to saye;
 j. acre at the crosse and at the thorne bitwene Bereforde and
 24 Neuntoñ⁶ vndur the hyȝgh-waye and butteth In-to the hygh-
 waye, and j. acre agaynste⁷ eueñ of the same acre In A-noper
 felde [uppon] langdoun; and the tithe of ix. acres of my best
 corne in bereford, the which my aunceturs to whome-so-euer
 28 þaye wolde yafe hit, of the which the church of Bereforde
 receyueth no parte And⁸ that the church of Blokesham j. acre
 of my demayne euery yere receyueth. I wyll also that the
 foresayde chanons and there tenautes the foresaide tenement
 32 haue and holde and⁹ haue possession (yifte and) for euer, free

About
 1225.
 Confirmation
 to
 Oseney, by
 Agnes of
 Cheyney,
 widow of
 Simon
 Maidwell,
 of Simon
 Maidwell's
 grants (nos.
 276, 277)
 of a site for
 a tithe-barn
 and other
 houses,
 with 2 acres
 of land,

and the
 tithe of
 9 acres.

¹ 'recognovit.'

² 'promisit.'

³ Added from the Latin.

⁴ Name noted in margin.

⁵ 'Westleicton' in Christ Church MS.;

'Westlectune' in Cotton MS.

⁶ 'Neutone' in Cotton MS.

⁷ 'ex opposito illius acre.'

⁸ Read 'because that' 'eo quod.'

⁹ 'et possideant in perpetuum'; i.e. 'yifte and' is brought in, in error, from below. An explanation of the many errors of this sort is that the translator began on the wrong line, and then went back to the proper place, without erasing his false start.

and^r quite fro all service. And^r that this my yifte [and] graunte abyde sure and^r stabull for euer, pis present writyng with the puttyng-to of my seale I haue i-strenghtid^r hit, &c^o.

About
1220.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Simon
Maidwell
and wife,

of site for a
tithe-barn
or cottages.

[276.] KNOW poo that þen now and to be pat I, Symonde maydewell, by the couneseit and assent of Anneys my wyffe, yafe and^r graundy^r; and^r with this my charter confermyd^r, to god and^r to the church of Saynte marye of Oseney and^r to the chanons þere seruyng^r god, In-to free pure and^r perpetueit^r almys, for the 8 helth of my sowle and^r of Anneys my wyffe and^r of my heyres and^r for the sowle of Wilyam of chaney and^r of all myne aunceturs and^r successours, all that curtilage In Bereforde¹ þat is i-callyd^r Westbectoñ², [to³ build a house for the storing¹² of their tithes, or to erect houses which they may let to whom-soever they please. I will also that the foresaid canons have, hold, and possess the foresaid tenement, free and quiet of all service. And that this, &c. These witnesses, Richard of 16 Beauchamp, &c.

About
1220.
Grant to
Oseney,
by Simon
Maidwell
and wife,
of tithe of
nine acres.

* Leaf 61.

[277.] KNOW poo that þen now and to be pat I, Symonde maydewell, . . . yafe⁴ . . . to . . . Oseney . . . the⁵ tithe⁶ of ix. acris of my best corne In bereforde, the which myne²⁰ aunceturs yafe to whoome paye wold^r; of the which the church of Bereforde noo parte receyueth, in al so moche as the church of Blokesham receyueth oone acre euery yere of my demayne.

*And þat this my yevyng^r, &c^o.

24

1311,
May 14.
Agreement
between
Oseney and
the rector
of Barford
St. Michael,
about ap-
portion-
ment of the
tithes.

[278.] KNOWE all meñ to the which this wrytyng schall come that when, vppoñ ij. partes of all tithes more and^r lasse and^r⁶ all the oolde demaynes of the maner of Saytoñ, that in oolde tyme was i-founde and^r callyd^r maydewell, ande in the 28 maner of Dyue, in the towne and felde of bereforde⁷ seynte Mygheñ, of what-soo-euer and^r howsoeuer comyng forthie, bitwene the religiouse meñ Abbot and^r couent of the monastery of saynte marye of Oseneye of lincoln diocese, actors, of þe 32

¹ Name noted in margin.

² 'Westleicton,' in Latin.

³ Added from the Latin. The translator has run together two separate deeds.

⁴ Terms of introduction as in no. 276.

⁵ The English version resumes after the omission.

⁶ Read 'in' in place of 'and.'

⁷ Name noted in margin.

oone parte, and syre Willyam Ropele, persone of þe church
 of Bereforde of the foresaide same diocese, gilty, of the other
 party, by A prouacion¹ and appele of the parte of the saide
 4 religiose meñ to the pope, and for² tuicion to the courte
 of canturbery for³ certen causes i-stered by custome & lawfully
 i-cast . . .

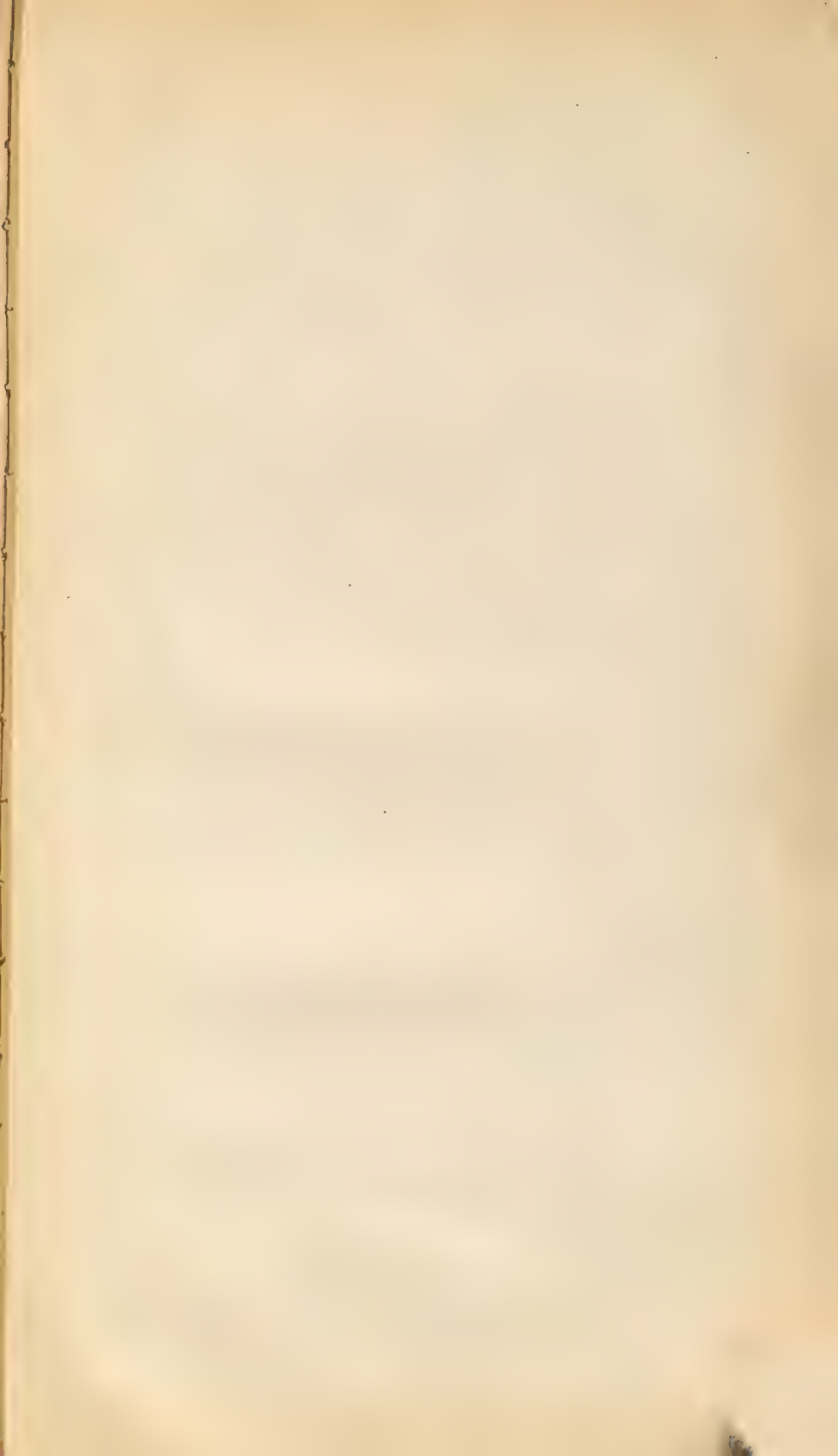
[NOTE.—The book ends in the middle of a sentence. The substance of the composition is that Oseney is to have (a) of the old demesne-lands, two-thirds of the tithe-sheaves; (b) of the manor of Maidwell, the whole tithe of nine acres (as in no. 277), and half of certain specified small tithes (viz. of wool, of lambs, and of calves); (c) of the manor of Dyue, half of the same small tithes; while the rectory of Barford St. Michael is to have (a) the other third, or half, of said tithes, with the whole tithe of certain specified tilths; (b) the whole tithe of all *novalia*, meadows, mills, and *foraria*; (c) the whole tithe of milk of the manors of Maidwell and of Dyue; (d) the whole tithe of a dovehouse and of a specified *placea* in Dyue. This deed brings us to leaf 93 back of the Christ Church Latin Register.]

¹ 'prouocacionem.'

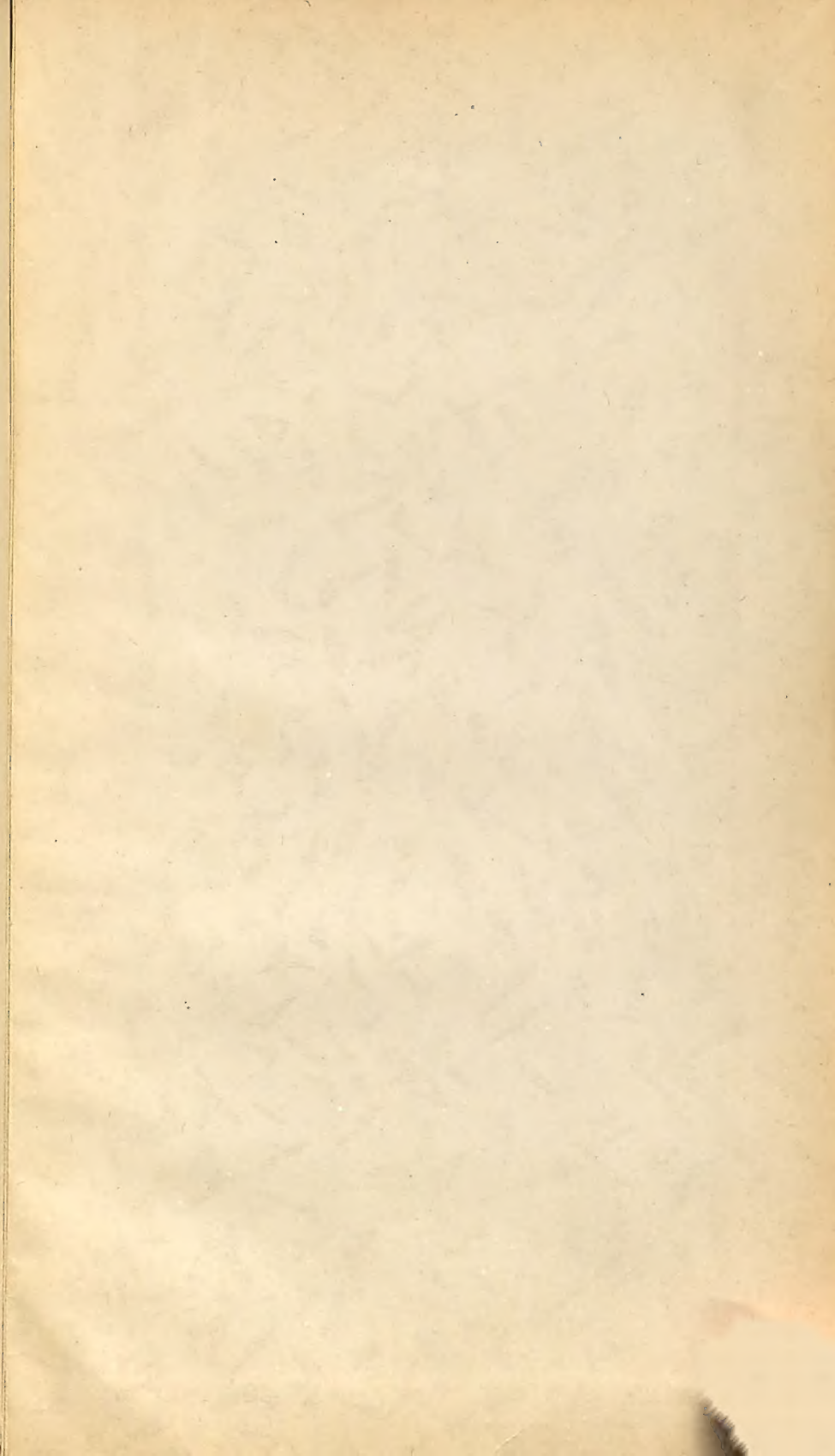
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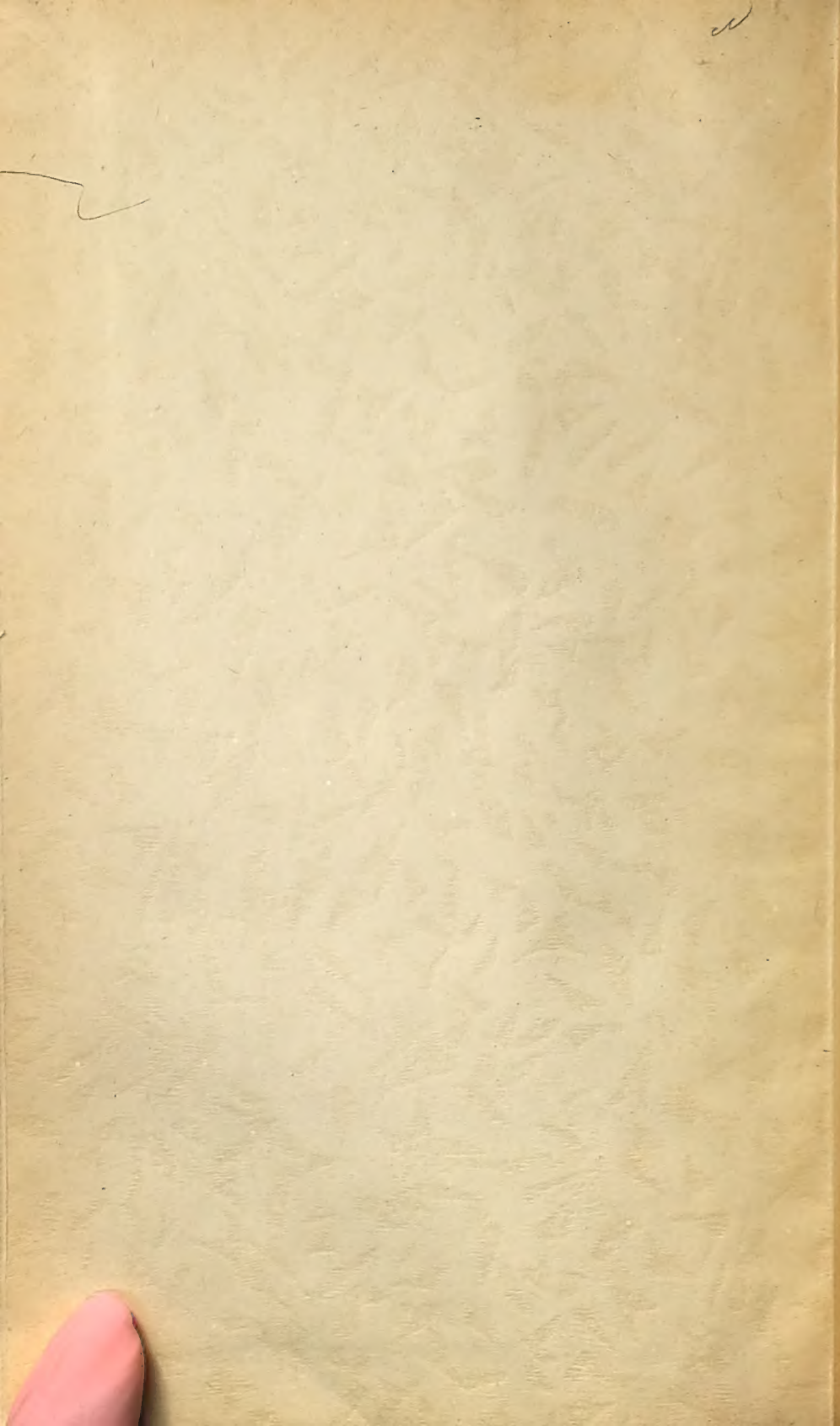
³ 'ob quasdam causas suggestas rite et legitime interiectas.'

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